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Christians First.

By President W. A. Harper, LL. D.

The Scriptures record that the disciples were called Christians first at Antioch. Our Church has never been large in numbers, but it has been great in leadership. History reveals the Christians first, among others, in the following important respects:

1. *Spiritual Democracy.*—We first took the Church from the few and made it a brotherhood of the saints. We matched political with spiritual democracy. The liberty of conscience or the right of private judgment in all disputed matters has, from the beginning, made it possible for persons of widely divergent theological views to live and work in harmony in our spiritual household.

2. *Religious Journalism.*—The "Herald of Gospel Liberty" (note its name) is the oldest religious newspaper in the world.

3. *Recognition of Womanhood.*—We first ordained women to be preachers and accorded women full rights in the Church.

4. *Public Education.*—Through Horace Mann, we gave the nation its free public school system.

5. *Co-Education.*—Antioch College first admitted men and women on equal terms to all the privileges of higher education.

6. *Interdenominational Co-Operation.*—We led in the Church Federation Movement of Maine, whence came the idea of the Federal Council. We have furnished far more than our quota of leadership in the interdenominational movements, such as the Sunday School, Christian Endeavor, the Y. M. C. A., and the Federal Council. We interdenominationalized Christian Endeavor. During the war, Camp Upton was the most strategic center of Christian activity, and Hermon Eldredge was camp general secretary there.

7. *Moral Reform.*—The temperance movement began in one of our Churches—Pleasant Hill, Alamance County, N. C. The anti-slavery movement also began in one of our Churches—Smith's Mills, Mass. No moral reform ever addressed itself to the Christian conscience without hearty support among our people.

8. *Stewardship.*—In the various forward movements of recent years, we had the highest goal—ten dollars per member per year for benevolences over a period of five years for the whole Church, and sixteen dollars a year in the Southern Christian Convention.

9. *Christian Union.*—Our Church came into being to foster and promote Christian Union. We have practiced it, too, and hence we are small numerically. We are correspondingly great in spirit.

10. *Christian Education.*—And in these latter days, God has given it us to lead in a unified and correlated program of Christian education reaching from our homes, through our Churches and communities, to our colleges and other institutions of higher learning.

It is great to belong to such a Church.

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

Extraordinary Session of the Southern Christian Convention

HELD AT HENDERSON, N. C.,

MAY 1-3, 1923.

FIRST DAY—TUESDAY AFTERNOON.

The Southern Christian Convention met in extraordinary session, and was called to order at 3 o'clock by Dr. L. E. Smith, President.

It was moved and carried that the program, as submitted by the Executive Board, be made the order of the Convention, subject to such changes as may be made by the Convention.

Worship conducted by Dr. C. H. Rowland. Prayer by Dr. W. D. Harward. Scripture lesson, Acts 16th Chapter. Prayer by Dr. J. W. Wellons.

The roll was called, and the following delegates were enrolled:

Alabama Conference: Rev. E. M. Carter.

Georgia and Alabama Conference: Rev. H. W. Elder.

Eastern Virginia Conference: Revs. W. W. Staley, C. H. Rowland, L. E. Smith, J. P. Barrett, W. M. Jay, I. W. Johnson, W. D. Harward, J. L. Foster, R. C. Helfenstein, W. H. Denison, B. J. Earp, T. E. White, W. L. Wells, E. B. Flory, W. B. Fuller, W. D. Parry, T. F. Wright.

Laymen: John King, P. J. Kernodle, J. E. West, J. A. Williams, Mrs. A. B. Jarvis, Mrs. W. D. Harward, Miss Lucy Eldredge, Miss Mary Andrews, Miss Jamie Felton.

North Carolina Conference: Revs. J. O. Atkinson, J. E. Franks, J. Lee Johnson, D. A. Long, J. W. Wellons, N. G. Newman, B. J. Howard, S. C. Harrell, W. S. Long, J. S. Carden, R. L. Williamson, G. O. Lankford, P. H. Fleming, J. D. Wicker, W. C. Wicker, J. W. Patton.

Laymen: J. A. Kimball, C. H. Stephenson, Mrs. W. H. Carroll, W. P. Lawrence, Chas. D. Johnston, Mrs. R. L. Williamson, L. L. Vaughan, W. A. Harper, Mrs. W. A. Harper, H. E. Crutchfield.

Virginia Valley Central Conference: Revs. W. T. Walters, A. W. Andes, R. P. Crumpler.

Rev. T. E. Beamon, pastor of the Free Will Baptist Church and Field Secretary, Goldsboro, N. C., was invited to a seat as a deliberative member and as a representative from the Free Will Baptist Convention to this body.

Dr. W. P. Minton, Foreign Mission Secretary of the General Convention of the Christian Church, was introduced and invited to a seat as a deliberative member.

Committees announced as follows:

Credentials—D. A. Long, P. J. Kernodle.
Press—W. A. Harper, J. P. Burnett, A. W. Andes.
Finance—John King, K. B. Johnson, J. L. Foster.
Resolutions—R. L. Williamson, W. P. Lawrence.

Benediction by Rev. T. E. Beamon.

TUESDAY EVENING SESSION.

Song service conducted by Rev. R. L. Williamson.

Revs. Omer S. Thomas, W. G. Sargent, Mrs. J. F. Burnett, and Rev. P. H. Ellis, of the Baptist Church, were invited to seats as visitors and introduced to the Convention.

Worship conducted by Rev. W. M. Jay, D. D., Holland, Va.

"Does Jesus Care"? rendered by a quartet, three of whom are descendants of Rev. James O'Kelly.

Sermon, "The Ministry of Pain," by Rev. E. B. Flory, Norfolk, Va.

Communion service, conducted by Dr. W. W. Staley and Dr. P. H. Fleming.

Benediction, by Rev. J. D. Wicker.

SECOND DAY—WEDNESDAY, MAY 2, 1923.

FORENOON SESSION.

Convention met and called to order at 9 o'clock. Devotional service conducted by Rev. J. Lee Johnson, Fuquay Springs, N. C. Theme: "Diligence."

President's address—Theme: "What the Christian Church Stands For." The recommendations offered by the President were referred to the following committee for consideration: C. H. Rowland, S. C. Harrell, Mrs. W. H. Carroll, J. A. Kimball, R. C. Helfenstein.

Report of Dr. W. C. Wicker, Treasurer, was read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

TREASURER'S REPORT TO THE SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN CONVENTION.

CHRISTIAN ORPHANAGE FUND.

1922		
4-26—Balance	$ 6.05	

ELON COLLEGE FUND.

1922		
4-26—Balance	$ 135.83	
10- 5—Samuel Earman, Treas.	210.00	
12- 5—H. B. Floyd, Treas.	57.70	
12- 6—J. W. Payne, Treas.	98.64	
12- 7—I. W. Johnson, Secy.	1,626.95	
12-17—W. J. Ballentine, Treas.	1,627.50	
10-26—T. C. Amick, Treas., No. 29		$ 210.00
12-30—T. C. Amick, Treas., No. 42		3,546.62
Totals	$ 3,756.62	$ 3,756.62

CONVENTION MISSIONS.

1922		
4-26—Balance	$ 139.53	
10- 5—Samuel Earman, Treas.	200.00	
12- 5—H. B. Floyd, Treas.	90.35	
12- 6—J. W. Payne, Treas.	75.23	
12- 7—I. W. Johnson, Secy.	1,220.59	
12-11—W. J. Ballentine, Treas.	1,627.50	
10-26—J. O. Atkinson, Treas., No. 28		$ 200.00
1923		
1- 3—J. O. Atkinson, Treas., No. 48		3,353.20
5- 1—Overdraft	200.00	
Totals	$ 3,553.20	$ 3,553.20

CONVENTION FUND.

1922		
4-26—Balance	$ 1,274.40	
10- 5—Samuel Earman, Treas.	50.00	
5-12—W. W. Staley, Acting Pres., M. & M.	1,250.00	
7-15—W. W. Staley, Acting Pres., M. & M.	500.00	
7-15—W. W. Staley, Acting Pres., M. & M.	200.00	
12- 5—H. B. Floyd, Treas.	51.40	
12- 6—J. W. Payne, Treas.	38.46	
12- 7—I. W. Johnson, Secy.	807.82	
12-17—W. J. Ballentine, Treas.	367.50	
5- 2—Burlington Printing Co., No. 109		$ 25.50
5- 5—Naomi Felton, No. 110		10.00
5- 5—I. W. Johnson, Secy., No. 111		27.50
5- 5—J. O. Atkinson, Treas., No. 113		2,000.00
6- 5—Elsie Garner, No. 6		30.00
6- 5—A. F. Richardson, No. 7		26.43
9-12—J. P. Barrett, No. 22		166.66
11- 3—J. P. Barrett, No. 31		83.33
12-8—J. P. Barrett, No. 41		166.66
1923		
1- 1—L. E. Smith, Pres.	500.00	
1- 1—L. E. Smith, Pres.	200.00	
2-18—J. P. Barrett, Nos. 51-43		166.66

2-27—Burington Printing Co., Nos. 52-44		385.00
5- 1—Balance		2,151.84
Totals	$ 5,239.58	$ 5,239.58

WOMAN'S HOME AND FOREIGN MISSION BOARD.

1922		
4-26—Balance	$ 1,137.25	
10-17—Mrs. W. T. Walters, Treas., Richmond Church..	3,062.74	
10-17—Mrs. W. T. Walters, Treas., Japan S. S.....	25.00	
10-17—Mrs. W. T. Walters, Treas., Japanese student...	51.04	
11-14—Mrs. W. T. Walters, Treas., Richmond Church..	1,000.00	
11-14—Mrs. W. T. Walters, Treas., Miss Takahashi....	25.00	
11-14—Mrs. W. T. Walters, Treas., Mrs. Watanabe....	14.00	
11-14—Mrs. W. T. Walters, Treas., Mrs. Fry's School..	37.50	
11-14—Mrs. W. T. Walters, Treas., Japan S. S.....	12.50	
11-14—Mrs. W. T. Walters, Treas., Christian Orphanage	119.02	
4-21—J. O. Atkinson, Treas., No. 106.....		$ 812.25
4-21—W. A. Harper, Treas., No. 107.....		95.00
4-21—Chas. D. Johnston, Supt., No. 108.....		225.00
10-26—J. O. Atkinson, Treas., No. 24-16.....		3,062.74
10-26—J. O. Atkinson, Treas., No. 25-17.....		25.00
10-26—W. A. Harper, Pres., No. 27-18.....		51.04
11-15—J. O. Atkinson, Treas., No. 33-25.....		25.00
11-15—J. O. Atkinson, Treas., No. 36-28.....		12.50
11-15—J. O. Atkinson, Treas., No. 35-27.....		37.50
11-15—J. O. Atkinson, Treas., No. 34-26.....		14.00
11-15—J. O. Atkinson, Treas., No. 38-30.....		5.00
11- 9—J. O. Atkinson, Treas., No. 32-24.....		1,000.00
11-15—Chas. D. Johnston, Supt., No. 37-29.....		119.02
1923		
3-12—Mrs. W. T. Walters, Treas., Japanese student...	235.30	
3-12—Mrs. W. T. Walters, Treas., Japan S. S.....	12.50	
3-12—Mrs. W. T. Walters, Treas., Ellen Gusten Fund.	4.00	
3-12—Mrs. W. T. Walters, Treas., Mrs. Fry's School..	62.00	
3-12—Mrs. W. T. Walters, Treas., Miss Takahashi...	25.00	
3-12—Mrs. W. T. Walters, Treas., Mrs. Watanabe....	42.00	
5- 1—Balance		380.80
Totals	$ 5,864.85	$ 5,864.85

"MISSIONS."

1922		
5- 8—W. W. Staley Acting Pres.	$ 1,734.21	
6- 8—W. W. Staley, Acting Pres.	1,529.92	
7- 6—W. W. Staley, Acting Pres.	1,158.55	
8-10—L. E. Smith, Pres.	598.78	
9- 5—L. E. Smith, Pres.	806.99	
10- 5—L. E. Smith, Pres.	591.08	
11- 7—L. E. Smith, Pres.	1,392.98	
12- 1—L. E. Smith, Pres.	1,212.10	
12- 8—L. E. Smith, Pres.	250.40	
5-17—J. O. Atkinson, Treas., No. 112.....		$ 1,734.21
6- 5—J. O. Atkinson, Treas., No. 114.....		1,529.92
7- 3—J. O. Atkinson, Treas., No. 8.....		1,158.55
8- 9—J. O. Atkinson, Treas., No. 9.....		598.78
9- 2—J. O. Atkinson, Treas., No. 10		806.99
10- 3—J. O. Atkinson, Treas., No. 23-15		591.08

11- 3—J. O. Atkinson, Treas., No. 30-22		1,392.98
11-28—J. O. Atkinson, Treas., No. 39-31		1,212.10
12- 5—J. O. Atkinson, Treas., No. 40-22		250.40
1923		
1- 4—L. E. Smith, Pres.	1,597.91	
1- 3—J. O. Atkinson, Treas., No. 47-39		1,597.91
2- 5—L. E. Smith, Pres.	1,159.63	
2- 3—J. O. Atkinson, Treas., No. 50-42		1,159.63
3- 1—L. E. Smith, Pres.	1,132.65	
3- 3—J. O. Atkinson, Treas., No. 53-45		1,132.65
4- 4—L. E. Smith, Pres.	856.14	
4- 2—J. O. Atkinson, Treas., No. 59-51		856.14
Totals	$14,021.34	$14,021.34

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

1922		
4-26—Balance	$ 125.19	
10- 5—Samuel Earman, Treas.	210.00	
12- 5—H. B. Floyd, Treas.	72.45	
12- 6—J. W. Payne, Treas.	75.29	
12- 7—I. W. Johnson, Secy.	2,086.27	
12-11—W. J. Ballentine, Treas.	1,627.50	
10-26—J. O. Atkinson, Treas., No. 30-21		$ 210.00
12-30—J. O. Atkinson, Treas., No. 44-36		4,196.70
1923		
5- 1—Overdraft	210.00	
Totals	$ 4,406.70	$ 4,406.70

SUPERANNUATED FUND.

1922		
4-26—Balance	$ 68.33	
10- 5—Samuel Earman, Treas.	85.00	
7-24—K. B. Johnson, Treas.	300.00	
10- 8—Interest on bonds	75.00	
12- 6—J. W. Payne, Treas.	49.53	
12- 7—I. W. Johnson, Secy.	343.62	
12-11—W. J. Ballentine, Treas.	400.00	
9-11—J. W. Wellons, No. 11-3		$ 50.00
9-11—J. D. Wicker, No. 12-4		125.00
9-11—W. G. Clements, No. 13-5		100.00
9-11—C. M. Dollar, No. 14-6		37.50
9-11—W. R. Knight, No. 15-7		37.50
9-11—Mrs. L. I. Cox, No. 16-8		100.00
9-11—Mrs. C. C. Peel, No. 17-9		100.00
9-11—Mrs. A. W. Lightbourne, No. 18-10		75.00
9-11—Mrs. W. T. Herndon, No. 19-11		75.00
9-11—W. S. Long, No. 20-12		100.00
9-11—Mrs. B. F. Young, No. 21-13		75.00
12-30—W. M. Jay, Secy., No. 45-37		446.48
1923		
1- 1—Interest on bonds	75.00	
1-10—W. M. Jay, Secy., No. 49-41		75.00
5- 1—Elon College Bonds, Nos. 41, 109, 110, 122, 141, 144	3,000.00	3,000.00
Totals	$ 4,396.48	$ 4,396.48

EDUCATIONAL FUND.

1922		
4-26—Balance	$ 82.16	
12- 6—J. W. Payne, Treas.	24.84	
12-30—T. C. Amick, Treas., No. 46-38		$ 107.00
1923		
4- 6—J. W. Payne, Treas.	100.00	
5- 1—Balance		100.00
Totals	$ 207.00	$ 207.00

RECAPITATION OF BALANCES MAY 1, 1923.

Christian Orphanage		$ 6.05
Convention Missions, Overdraft	$ 200.00	
Convention Fund		2,151.84
Women's Home and Foreign Mission Board		380.80
Foreign Missions, Overdraft	210.00	
Educational Fund		100.00
Superannuated Fund, Bonds	3,000.00	3,000.00
Balance in Bank, as per statement	2,228.69	
Totals	$ 5,638.69	$ 5,638.69

RECAPITULATION OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS.

Christian Orphanage	$ 6.05	
Elon College Fund	3,756.62	
Elon College Fund		$ 3,756.62
Convention Missions	3,353.20	
Convention Missions		3,553.20
Convention Fund	5,239.58	
Convention Fund		3,087.74
Women's Home and Foreign Mission Board	5,864.85	
Women's Home and Foreign Mission Board		5,484.05
Missions	14,021.34	
Missions		14,021.34
Foreign Missions	4,196.70	
Foreign Missions		4,406.70
Superannuation Fund	4,396.48	
Superannuation Fund		4,396.48
Educational Fund	207.00	
Educational Fund		107.00
Balance, Elon Banking and Trust Co., May 1, 1923		2,228.69
Totals	$41,041.82	$41,041.82

Respectfully submitted,

W. C. WICKER,

May 2, 1923. *Treasurer Southern Christian Convention.*

Report of Revision Committee was submitted and deferred until the report of the Special Committee on Recommendations of the President.

Report of the Board of Superannuation was read and approved, as follows:

REPORT OF BOARD OF SUPERANNUATION.

The Board of Superannuation met in the regular annual meeting in Henderson, N. C., January 3, 1923.

The Board reorganized, as follows:

J. O. Atkinson, Chairman, and W. M. Jay, Secretary-Treasurer.

The payments to beneficiaries have been much more prompt since the last Convention granted the consolidation of all relief funds in the hands of the Board and same are now disbursed and paid directly to beneficiaries by the Board.

Rev. J. W. Holt was added to the list of beneficiaries of this fund.

The list of beneficiaries and amounts allowed each are for the ensuing year:

Rev. J. W. Wellons	$100.00
Rev. J. D. Wicker	300.00
Rev. W. G. Clements	200.00
Rev. C. M. Dollar	100.00
Rev. W. R. Knight	75.00
Rev. J. W. Holt	150.00
Rev. W. S. Long	200.00
Mrs. C. C. Peele	200.00
Mrs. L. I. Cox	200.00
Mrs. A. W. Lightbourne	150.00
Mrs. B. F. Young	150.00

Total beneficiaries, 11. Total allowed for the ensuing year, $1,825.00.

J. O. ATKINSON, *Chairman, Elon College, N. C.*
W. M. JAY, *Secretary-Treasurer, Holland, Va.*
MRS. C. H. ROWLAND, *Franklin, Va.*
B. D. JONES, *Holland, Va.*
W. K. HOLT, *Burlington, N. C.*

Report of Committee on Temperance was read and adopted, as follows:

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE AND MORAL REFORM.

We often hear people speak of the wonderful progress of the past century, and ascribe it to reason. They are mistaken. Reason, speaking by the mouth of Aristotle, had laid down as an axiom that the inferior races are designed by nature to be the slaves of the superior races. The emancipation of the slave, the banishing of the saloon, the closing of the brothel, were effected when it was clearly seen that they were against the will and the religion of Jesus Christ; and when men are emancipated from want, ignorance, and crime, it will take place by the same means. Sociologists may prescribe, anarchists and saloonists may plot, Socialists may scheme, but power to lift humanity comes from religion.

We pay taxes to take up the wounded, secure anticeptics, put them to bed, and pay the keeper of the inn, but we too often fail to make the road to Jericho safe.

Perhaps there never was a time when the people of this country needed to heed the teachings of Jesus Christ more than now. Too many Church members seem to think that great evils can be removed merely by talking about them. Many of our citizens hold meetings, pass resolutions, listen to eloquent orators, sing songs, shake hands, and go home. Their voices soon die away. The crowds being disbursed, the resolutions are soon forgotten. And many imagine that these things can take the place of deeds. Jesus, it would seem, placed little reliance on things of this kind. When He sent out His disciples, He did not say, "Pass resolutions," but "Heal the sick, cast

out devils, freely ye have received, freely give." Some words and some resolutions are good, but the only words that are heeded much are the words of a man of action. "The wicked flee, when no man pursueth," but they break the speed limit when a brave and loyal officer of the law is after them.

While this Convention is in no sense a political Convention, and your Committee would not, in the remotest way, say for what political party its members should vote, we desire it to be distinctly understood that as good and loyal citizens of the United States, we would "render unto Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and unto God the things that are God's."

Resolved 1: That we stand for "temperance in all things," moral reform, law, and order.

Resolved 2: That we will not, knowingly, support any person for any position who does not, by word, and act, stand for these things.

Resolved 3: We have no sympathy with, or vote for, any person who, by word or act, resorts to any unlawful means to overthrow the Constitutions of our States or the United States of America.

Resolved 4: That we pledge ourselves to co-operate with all law-abiding citizens in promoting the cause of temperance, moral reform, and the advancement of the Redeemer's kingdom in the world.

DANIEL ALBRIGHT LONG, *Chairman.*

Report of Commission on Church Union with the Free Will Baptist Church read by Dr. W. A. Harper, and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF CHRISTIAN UNION COMMISSION.

The Eastern Virginia and North Carolina Conferences, at their regular sessions last fall, memorialized the Executive Committee of the Convention to appoint a Commission on Christian Union. The Convention appointed the following persons on the Commission: Dr. L. E. Smith, Dr. C. H. Rowland, Dr. W. W. Staley, Dr. J. O. Atkinson, Rev. A. R. Flowers, D. R. Fonville, and W. A. Harper. Dr. L. E. Smith was made Chairman, and W. A. Harper, Secretary.

Correspondence was entered into with Rev. R. F. Pittman, President of the Free Will Baptist Convention, which resulted in a meeting of our Commission with theirs in the Hotel Bland, Raleigh, N. C., February 12, 1923.

At this meeting, full and free and brotherly discussion was had respecting the positions, beliefs, and practices of the two Churches, and the following agreement entered into:

AGREEMENT BETWEEN FREE WILL BAPTIST AND CHRISTIAN CHURCHES.

We, representing the Free Will Baptist Churches and Christian Churches, hereby agree—

1. That Jesus is the Head of His Church.
2. That the Bible is the sufficient rule of faith and practice.
3. That Christian character is the proper test of fellowship in the Church of Christ.
4. That the right of private judgment or the liberty of conscience is a privilege and duty of all.
5. That the reciprocity of ministers and members between our Churches is desirable.
6. That the name of the Church of Christ is a matter for His followers to determine, though Christian is a proper name for all believers.
7. That the local Church should be autonomous.
8. That fraternal delegates should be interchanged for our public assemblies.

9. That we should write for each other's periodicals and visit and use each other's institutions.

10. That a united Protestantism is the goal of our Churches.

It was further agreed at this meeting to send at least five (5) fraternal delegates to each other's general Church meetings, to print the agreements in our Church papers and to exchange with each other's members 200 copies each of the *Free Will Baptist* and THE CHRISTIAN SUN.

WHAT HAS BEEN DONE.

The Proceedings of the Raleigh meeting were printed in our Church papers. Dr. W. C. Wicker wrote an article for the *Free Will Baptist*, copies of our papers have been interchanged, ten brethren of the Free Will Baptist Church have been designated to attend this session of our Convention, and space has been allotted the question of "Christian Union" in our program, with Rev. Thomas E. Beamon, of the Free Will Baptist Church, as one of the speakers.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

We feel that our work has already borne good fruit in the better understanding of our two Churches, and we recommend:

1. That the Convention elect a Commission on Christian Union, to continue to cultivate closer relations and co-operation with all denominations, and with the Free Will Baptist in particular, and that the members of the Commission be our fraternal delegates to visit other Church bodies.

2. That we send five fraternal delegates to the Free Will Baptist Convention, which meets at Winterville, N. C., on September 11-13, 1923.

3. That at this time we formally receive the Free Will Baptist fraternal delegates, invite them to seats as visiting brethren with us and record our profound satisfaction at their presence at this session.

4. That we invite them to send fraternal delegates to our public assemblies, and that such delegates be given opportunity to be heard at every such meeting.

5. That special prayer be now offered for the progress of Christian Union in our own and other Churches.

(Signed) L. E. SMITH,
W. W. STALEY,
J. O. ATKINSON,
C. H. ROWLAND,
A. R. FLOWERS,
Commission on Christian Union.

Addresses by Dr. W. W. Staley, Dr. W. A. Harper, Rev. T. E. Beamon and Rev. E. C. Morris, of the Free Will Baptist Church; Dr. J. O. Atkinson and Rev. A. R. Flowers.

Season of prayer for union led by Dr. W. W. Staley, Rev. A. R. Flowers and Rev. T. E. Beamon.

Addresses by Drs. W. G. Sargent and Omer S. Thomas.

Revs. J. E. Pritchard and Will H. Neese, of the M. P. Church, and Rev. Lewis Collins, of the Presbyterian Church, were introduced to the Convention.

Minutes read and approved.

Benediction by Rev. E. C. Morris.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.

Convention met and called to order at 2 o'clock. Worship conducted by Rev. R. L. Williamson.

Report of the Board of Education was read by Dr. W. A. Harper, Chairman, and adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

Christian education—Christ through education—is the hope of the world. A nation that has separated education and religion must find a solution to the problem such separation has entailed. A democracy cannot exist without a citizenry of character, and character apart from religion, all experience teaches, is impossible.

This means but one thing for the Christian Church—the strengthening of her agencies of education. The home, the Church, the college, with all their auxiliary organizations and institutions, must be federated into a unified program of Christian education. Our young people should be educated in our colleges, and our colleges must be made in every way worthy of their support and patronage.

THE CRISIS AT ELON.

In view of these great principles, the crisis precipitated at Elon on January 18, 1923, demands of our people a full measure of sacrifice and loyalty. The burning of the administration building and records, together with the library and auditorium, was a blow well calculated temporarily to close down the college. But we are happy to record that only one day was lost by our college in adjusting herself to the new situation, and that not a student left on account of the fire. This is a situation calling for satisfaction and congratulation on the part of our people.

On January 24th, the Board of Trustees assembled in extraordinary session and faced the crisis with heroic determination. They voted to rebuild on a $300,000 basis, being challenged to do so by the citizens of Alamance County, who proposed to pay one-third of such an amount. In addition, they voted to raise $300,000 for endowment. Both decisions seemed absolutely necessary in view of the situation confronting the college.

What has transpired since has gratified every heart. We are yet some distance from our goal, but we are facing the future heroically, hopefully, confidently. We urge our people to sacrifice, as never before, for our college, that a disaster, which seemingly threatened Elon's very existence, may prove a blessing in disguise. Many have expressed the conviction that it would be so, but unless our people support such a conviction with sacrificial giving, it will not be so. Again we urge them to sacrifice nobly for our college, and full endorsement of the trustees' action is hereby recorded.

BETHLEHEM COLLEGE.

The Board of Trustees of Bethlehem College have let the contract for their first building for the sum of $14,000, and plan to open the institution to students this fall. The plan permits the basement to be used for dining-room, kitchen, furnace, and storage, with the first floor for offices, recitations, library, president's home, and laboratory work, with the third floor as a dormitory for lady teachers and lady students. The men students will room in homes nearby, but dine in the boarding department.

Bethlehem is to be of junior college grade, with a full standard high school course preceding. It will fill a large need in our educational work, and we should give it every encouragement.

COLLEGE DAY.

"College Day" was celebrated in our Churches during the summer of 1922. The people enjoyed the programs, and great good was accomplished. This is a custom that should be kept up perpetually. Some Churches can use one month to better advantage than another. We, therefore, suggest that June, July and August be considered college months, and that Elon and Bethlehem Colleges both be represented in the programs from now on.

ELON TRUSTEES.

We recommend that the Secretary of State of North Carolina be requested to amend the charter of Elon College so as to permit a total of thirty trustees instead of twenty-four, as at present, with a quorum of ten instead of eight, as at present.

W. A. HARPER,
J. G. TRUITT,
E. L. MOFFITT,
W. W. STALEY,
W. S. LONG,
Board of Education.

Resolutions offered by Rev. E. B. Flory and I. W. Johnson concerning special days for emergency fund and library fund of the colleges referred to the Committee on Finance.

Report of the Board of Religious Education submitted by Dr. W. T. Walters, Chairman, and adopted, as follows, items referring to finance being referred to Committee on Finance:

REPORT OF BOARD OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION.

To the Southern Chritian Convention, in session at Henderson, N. C., May 1-3, 1923:

Report of work of office of field secretary, May 1, 1923.

Tabulation of Sunday School and Christian Endeavor Reports.

List of all Sunday School and Christian Endeavor workers is kept in the office. A handbook was edited and published, giving minutes of five Sunday School and Christian Endeavor Conventions held in 1922, and statistical tables for both organizations, as far as statistics could be obtained. Two thousand copies were published and mailed free of cost to all ministers and Churches in the Southern Christian Convention. The handbook showed 200 Sunday Schools, with membership of 20,618. The Southern Christian Convention Annual, published some months later, shows 201 Sunday Schools, with a membership of 22,165 (Georgia-Alabama statistics from handbook), 71 Christian Endeavor Societies—junior, intermediate, senior and alumni—have been reported during the year. Definite statistics regarding memberhip could not be secured from all, but all have been active this year.

Sunday School and Christian Endeavor Conventions.

Five Sunday School and Christian Endeavor Conventions were held in 1922, including two new Conventions, organized in Georgia and in Alabama. The field secretary attended all sessions except the 1922 session of the Alabama Convention. Four of the Conventions already are working on 1923 programs, and one Convention has been held—Alabama. The office of the field secretary co-operated in planning programs, sending out report blanks, and sending letters to all teachers and officers, urging attendance at the Conventions. In the North Carolina Convention, the field secretary acted as both general secretary

and recording secretary in arranging program and recording minutes. Leaflets were distributed at all Conventions.

Chautauqua and School of Methods.

The 1922 session of the Chautauqua and School of Methods was held at Elon College August 30th to September 4th. The attendance was small, but otherwise the session was very helpful. Forty-three enrolled for the week, and a great many others attended one or more classes and the evening sessions. Averaging daily attendance at the various classes was as follows: Pastors—Dr. W. W. Staley, teacher, 15; Sunday School organization—Prof. A. L. Hook, 4; adult workers—W. P. Lawrence, 4; elementary workers—Mrs. Bullock, 6; missions—Dr. J. O. Atkinson, 20; Bible—Dr. J. U. Newman, 20; daily vacation Bible School, over 50. Financially, Elon College gave $100.00, which was used in advertising the Chautauqua.

Receipts during the week were:		Expenditures:	
Evening offerings	$ 20.30	Board	$186.75
Enrollment fees	43.00	Huffines Bros.	4.53
Board	164.50	Burlington Ptg. Co.	1.75
Books, etc.	20.10	Church Supply House	20.95
		Daily Vacation Bible School.	4.00
	$247.90		$217.98

Balance, $29.92, turned into treasury of Board of Religious Education.

The program for the 1923 session of the Chautauqua, to be held at Elon College, July 30th to August 5th, is largely arranged and the advertising begun.

Institutes.

Since April 1, 1922, institutes have been held in all Conferences. In April, 1922, Churches of the Georgia-Alabama Conference were visited in one-day institutes, and eight places in the North Carolina Conference.

In May, 1922, five institutes were held in the Valley of Virginia and ten Churches visited.

In March, 1923, thirteen institutes, two sessions in most cases, were held in Eastern Virginia, reaching thirty-three Churches. Total attendance, 1,191. Children's story hours, 212; average attendance at afternoon sessions, 32; night, 61.

In April, 1923, a number of institutes were held in the Alabama Conference. In addition, five nights were spent by the field secretary in teaching a class in the Sunday School institute held in Christian Temple, Norfolk, and three nights in leading an institute in Richmond.

Children's Day.

"Children's Day" programs prepared for 1920 and 1921 were used by a large number of schools in 1922. Offering envelopes were sent to all schools. Thirty-eight Churches responded with offerings, amounting to $216.97.

Men and Millions Day.

In co-operation with Dr. Atkinson, Dr. Harper, and Mr. Johnson, a leaflet was prepared for "Men and Millions Day" in the Sunday Schools and Christian Endeavor Societies during January, 1923. A great number of schools observed the day. Five thousand of the leaflets were mailed to Churches requesting them for use.

Contest for 10 Per Cent Increase.

A contest for increase of 10 per cent in enrollment was held in May and June, 1922. Report cards, with a plan for 10 per cent increase, were mailed to every Sunday School in the Southern Convention. Weekly reports were requested for six weeks. Sixty-four schools responded, of which 30 reported a

10 per cent increase during the contest, or more than 10 per cent, and 27 reported an average attendance of 70 per cent or more of the enrollment; 1,111 new members were enrolled in the 64 schools reporting.

Total offerings reported, $1,075.13. Average attendance of 64 schools for six weeks, 71 per cent of enrollment.

Office Work.

The bureau of information has been maintained, and a great deal of literature mailed out. About 850 personal letters, and 5,000 circular letters have been prepared and mailed, and 300 inquiries answered by mail, and 1,300 postal cards mailed.

Christian Sun.

Sunday School notes and Christian Endeavor notes have been furnished weekly for *The Christian Sun,* and also other material weekly.

Daily Vacation Bible Schools.

Daily Vacation Bible Schools were conducted last year at Bethlehem (Valley of Virginia), Pleasant Grove, Va. (N. C. Conference), Holland-Holy Neck (Eastern Virginia), and at the Elon Chautauqua. The field secretary co-operated in organizing, purchasing books and supplies, and assisting during the first days of all.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Receipts.

Received from Sunday School Conventions:		
Eastern Virginia	$266.66	
Alabama	1.00	
Valley of Virginia	120.65	
North Carolina	66.30	
		$ 454.61
From North Carolina Conference	$400.00	
Check from Chautauqua	29.92	
Elon College, Chautauqua advertising	100.00	
Receipts for traveling expenses of secretary	29.42	
"Children's Day" offerings	216.97	
Contribution from "Men and Millions"	600.00	
Advanced from "Men and Millions"	800.00	
		2,176.31

Expenditures.

Salary and office expense of field secretary, including postage, stationery, etc.	$1,717.53
Traveling expenses	325.84
Handbook of Conventions	288.15
Board meeting	32.56

RECOMMENDATIONS.

1. That the Chautauqua and School of Methods at Elon College be continued under the supervision of this board, provided Convention will make financial provision, and that our Churches be urged to avail themselves of the fellowship and training offered there.

2. That we continue the services of a field secretary, and, as far as possible, that we bear the expenses of additional help of trained workers in daily vacation Bible schools.

3. That we recommend to our Churches the value of daily vacation Bible schools to our Churches, and offer our help in organizing and carrying on such schools, where such help is desired. That we also endorse "Children's Week" and urge its observance by our Churches.

4. That we advocate the continuation of the Sunday School and Christian Endeavor institutes as inaugurated by our board.

5. That we recommend that steps be taken at the 1924 session of the Southern Christian Convention for the merging of the Board of Religious Education and the Board of Education into one board, to be known as the Board of Christian Education, and that under the terms of the union the new board be required to keep a secretary in the field for Sunday School and Christian Endeavor work.

6. That we heartily commend the work being done by our field secretary, Miss Lucy M. Eldredge, and ask the hearty co-operation of our people in making our Sunday School and Christian Endeavor work more efficient.

7. That in order to maintain this department, the Southern Christian Convention donate $1,000.00 for the coming year's work from some Convention fund, and that the board have access to the following sources of income:

8. (a) The continuation of the apportionment on Sunday School and Christian Endeavor Conventions, as follows: Alabama, $100.00; Georgia and Alabama, $100.00; Valley of Virginia, $200.00; North Carolina, $800.00; Eastern Virginia, $800.00—total, $2,000.00.

(b) An annual "Children's Day" offering from all Sunday Schools.

(c) The 3 per cent apportionment from "Men and Millions."

Respectfully submitted,

W. T. WALTERS (Chairman),
C. H. STEPHENSON,
P. T. HINES,
MRS. J. W. PATTON,
E. T. Holland.

Report on recommendations was submitted, and adopted, as follows:

We recommend that action on the matter of changing the personnel of the Executive Board, as suggested in item 1, be deferred until the 1924 session, in order that due notice may be given as provided in the Principles and Government; and that the Executive Committee take the matter under advisement at once.

We suggest that this Convention ask the Conference to provide funds for paying the actual railroad fare of the delegates going to and returning from the session of the Southern Christian Convention.

Adjourned till evening session.

WEDNESDAY—EVENING SESSION.

Convention met at 8 o'clock. Worship conducted by Dr. W. D. Harward. Scripture lesson, John 4th chapter. Address, "Applied Christianity," by Rev. Stanley C. Harrell.

It was moved and carried that the address be printed in pamphlet form for free distribution.

Stereopticon lecture, "Porto Roca," by Dr. W. P. Minton, Dayton, Ohio.

President appointed Committee on Nominations: Dr. W. W. Staley, W. M. Jay, and P. J. Kernodle.

Benediction by Dr. D. A. Long.

THURSDAY—FORENOON SESSION.

Convention met at 9 o'clock. Worship conducted by Rev. T. E. White.

It was moved and carried that a special season of prayer in behalf of Rev. George D. Eastes be held at 3 o'clock P. M.

Minutes read and approved.

It was moved and carried that the report of the Special Committee on Recommendations, offered by the President, be reconsidered. Upon consideration, the item concerning the selection of a permanent place of meeting was lost.

Report of the Mission Board was read by Dr. J. O. Atkinson, Secretary, and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF MISSION BOARD.

Since the Mission Board meets in annual session on or about September 15th, the fiscal year with our missionary program and appropriations begins September 1st. To make our report to the Convention perfectly clear and comprehensive; therefore, it is necssary to give appropriations made for the past year (September 1, 1921, to September 1, 1922), and those decided upon and contempated for the present current year (September 1, 1922, to September 1, 1923).

The following-named places received donations named during the year ending September 1, 1922:

Chapel Hill, N. C.	$ 400.00
Rose Hill, Columbus, Ga.	700.00
Elm Avenue, Portsmouth, Va.	600.00
Winchester, Va.	500.00
Washington Street, Portsmouth, Va.	400.00
Mebane, N. C. (on Church building)	500.00
Richmond, Va.	3,000.00
Franklinton, N. C.	400.00
Newport News, Va.	700.00
Mountain work in Carroll County, Va. (for building and equipment)	4,315.59
For salaries and help, Carroll County, Va.	1,765.34
North Alabama work	500.00
Christian Temple, Norfolk, Va.	8,500.00

The appropriations voted for the present year now in course of payment are as follows:

Christian Temple, Norfolk, Va.	$8,000.00
Richmond, Va.	3,000.00
(Plus all home mission funds from the Women's Society.)	
Chapel Hill, N. C.	400.00
Rose Hill, Columbus, Ga.	700.00
Elm Avenue, Portsmouth, Va.	720.00
Winchester, Va.	500.00
Washington Street, Portsmouth, Va.	600.00
Franklinton, N. C.	300.00
Newport News, Va.	700.00
North Alabama	300.00
Pastorate Carroll County, Va.	1,200.00
Eight weeks' series of meetings in outlying districts from Dover, Del.	400.00
Green County, Va., pastorate	200.00
Raleigh, N. C.	400.00
Reidsville, N. C., per month beginning December 15th	25.00

Since our last report to this body, closing with April 1, 1922, we have collected through our executive secretary and turned over to the treasurer of this Convention the following amounts, to April 1, 1923:

April, 1922—Individual, $991.22; regular S. S., $130.41; special, $309.58; mountain work, $303.00—total, $1,734.21.

May, 1922—Individual, $1,300.00; regular S. S., $153.67; special, $68.25; mountain work, $8.00—total, $1,529.92.

June, 1922—Individual, $523.50; regular S. S., $125.15; mountain work, $50.00; special, $459.00—total, $1,158.55.

July, 1922—Individual, $337.50; regular S. S., $201.06; special, $60.22—total, $598.78.

August, 1922—Individual, $437.75; regular S. S., $78.73; specials, $266.01; mountain work, $24.50—total, $806.99.

September, 1922—Individual, $336.38; regular S. S., $162.60; specials, $90.05; mountain work, $2.05—total, $591.08.

October, 1922—Individual, $963.00; regular S. S., $178.92; specials, $251.06—total, $1,392.98.

November, 1922—Individual, $859.48; regular S. S., $91.55; specials, $511.47—total, $1,462.50.

December, 1922—Individual, $1,185.88; regular S. S., $108.03; specials, $300.00; mountain work, $4.00—total, $1,597.91.

January, 1923—Individual, $683.00; regular S. S., $184.28; specials, $257.35; mountain work, $35.00—total, $1,159.63.

February, 1923—Individual, $315.25; regular S. S., $162.57; specials, $626.71; mountain work, $28.12—total, $1,132.65.

March, 1923—Individual, $546.00; regular S. S., $166.26; specials, $143.88—total, $856.14. Grand total, $14,021.34.

SUNDAY SCHOOL MISSIONS.

It is gratifying indeed that our Sunday Schools, one by one, are adopting the plan worked out by this Convention and ratified by all our Sunday School Conventions of giving one offering per month for missions, one-half for home and one-half for foreign, and urge same be continued. An increasing number of schools is carrying out this program to their edification, and in most of them there is a missionary program or an address before the whole school either every Sunday or once per month. Donations from these schools, not counting Burlington and Christian Temple, because their gifts go to individuals as already named in this report, amounted the past year, from April 1, 1922, to April 1, 1923, to $2,060.50. One-half of this amount goes to the support of our mountain work, and the other half to foreign missions, as already stated. We reiterate our abiding faith in this plan for our Sunday Schools, and have the faith that, resulting from it, we shall have in the future not only more funds for missionary purposes, but more recruits for the missionary field. The missionary emphasis must of necessity be made upon the minds of the youth, and there is no better place for this than the Sunday School.

OUR MOUNTAIN WORK.

There are at present three organized Christian Churches in Carroll County, Va., of which Rev. Elisha Bradshaw is the pastor in charge. The total membership April 1st was 34. We have one combined Church and school building at Elk Spur, which is serving a most useful purpose both for the day school, for which there are separate rooms; for Sunday School and for Sunday worship, for which there is an adequate auditorium.

There is pressing demands for another such building for our other two congregations. The land for this building has already been donated to us, and much labor and timber and assistance promised in erecting a building. We are at present maintaining two day schools, in one of which are two teachers, in the other one teacher. We have three Sunday Schools. The work is cer-

tainly a most worthy one, and the opportunity for real service is great indeed. It is doubtful if we have undertaken a Christian service which is and has been more thoroughly appreciated than among the people in Carroll County, Va.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Since our last report to this body we have finished paying the $21,000 agreed upon with the General Convention Board for Japan, and by agreement one-half of our foreign funds will go to begin the work in China and one-half to continue the work in Japan and Porto Rico. The General Convention Board will add 20 per cent to the amount for China. We have paid out for foreign missions since our last report (April 1, 1922), $9,281.10.

We regret to report that of the two missionaries who had volunteered to go to China, one has decided not to go at all, and the other is in doubt about his going, and so gives no definite promise at the present for the future. We are hoping and praying that the Lord will give us, at an early date in His own good time and way, workers for this important field.

We are happy to report that there are now under appointment for going out during the present year five promising missionaries, three of whom will go to Japan and two to Porto Rico. There are other volunteers for the mission field, some of whom are in our colleges preparing and are to go out as soon as equipped. During the present year a very handsome and adequate Church has been built and dedicated at Santa Isabel, Porto Rico. Rev. D. P. Barrett and wife, who are the sole representatives from this body on the foreign field, continue faithful at their post, are in good health, and are most happy at the completion of the long-needed Santa Isabel Church.

Our Burlington Christian Sunday School is to be most heartily congratulated on the zeal they display in behalf of foreign missions in the support of Miss Stacy in Japan at a salary of $1,000 per year, and Christian Temple, Norfolk, Va., on its support of Mrs. Toshio, at a salary of $30.00 per month in Japan, and Miss Olive Williams at a salary of $60.00 per month in Porto Rico, and two other missionaries on the home field. We cannot commend too highly the example of these two Churches, and sincerely trust that others of our Sunday Schools will follow this lead.

"MEN AND MILLIONS."

One year ago the Convention voted for the Mission Board to assume the responsibility of carrying on the work of "Men and Millions." Since that time, through our secretary and his helpers, group meetings of ministers and captains in every district of all the Conferences have been held. With a few exceptions, every Church of the Conferences in the Convention has been visited either by the secretary himself or an assistant, and in most instances all subscribers have been visited and given an opportunity to make some payment on their pledges. All funds have been sent to Executive Secretary C. D. Johnston and accounts kept by him with the Churches. Through him, the money has been transmitted to the treasurer, C. D. West, Newport News, Va., who has handled same according to vouchers drawn and presented by Executive Secretary C. D. Johnston. Their reports give amount of moneys paid in, expenditures made, and the actual financial results achieved during the year. Independently of these reports, we have endeavored to recreate interest in the movement and in every entrprise of the Church through sermons, addresses and the printed page. The co-operation of captains in many Churches has been all that could be desired, and it is a joy to have fellowship with men and women so deeply interested in Church growth and kingdom development.

The number of tithers in the Churches has been considerably increased, though we are not prepared to give exact figures. Much of the best literature on the subject of tithing has been put into the hands of our pastors and captains, and some of it at least has reached the people directly, and many have reponded.

Owing to the fact that there were two years immediately following the enlistment period during which there was no organized or constructive effort at collecting pledges, we feel that the results thus far are not to be discredited, nor are they of such character as to discourage. We have the faith to believe that those who pledged, for the most part, not only did so in good faith at the time, but will live up to that faith as their own financial conditions will allow. Almost to an individual, we have had the renewed promise that, though a longer time will be required owing to changed financial conditions, pledges will in time be paid and the obligations discharged. To this end, we must still labor, pray and pursue.

INCREASE IN MEMBERSHIP.

According to the *Annual* of this year, as compared to last, the total membership of the Churches composing the Conferences of this Convention has increased from 28,251 to 28,418; the total of 167 members. To this may be added the membership of the three congregations in Carroll County, Va. (34), making the total increase for the year of 201 members.

J. E. WEST, *Chairman.*
J. O. ATKINSON, *Secretary.*

REPORT OF J. O. ATKINSON, TREASURER MISSION BOARD.

September 1, 1922.

Sept. 1.	By balance in bank, current account	$ 138.13
Sept. 3.	By draft Pres. Staley, August collections	579.73
Sept. 3.	By draft Evangelism, August collections	289.91
Sept. 3.	By draft Pres. Staley, M. & M.	4,000.00
Sept. 5.	By draft Pres. Staley, mountain work, Woman's Board.	200.00
		$ 5,207.77
Sept. 30.	To amount paid on vouchers, September	4,433.78
Sept. 30.	By balance in bank	$ 773.99
Oct. 27.	By draft Pres. Staley, Woman's Board	509.28
Oct. 27.	By draft Pres. Staley, September collections	1,120.93
Oct. 27.	By draft Pres. Staley, evangelism, Sept. collections	175.00
		$ 2,579.20
Oct. 31.	To amount paid on vouchers, October	1,587.12
Oct. 31.	By balance in bank	$ 992.08
Nov. 7.	By draft Pres. Staley, October collections	860.48
Nov. 9.	By draft Pres. Staley, W. H. & F. M. Board	2,676.86
Nov. 29.	Redeposit from savings account (savings certificate of $5,000) and interest	5,055.50
Nov. 30.	By draft Pres. Staley, W. H. & F. M. Board	1,290.02
		$ 10,874.94
Nov. 30.	To amount paid on vouchers, November	10,864.43
Nov. 30.	By balance in bank	$ 10.51
Dec. 6.	Redeposit from savings bank	3,000.00
Dec. 9.	By draft Pres. Staley, November collections	2,843.17
Dec. 29.	By draft Pres. Staley, S. C. C. 1921	4,000.00
Dec. 29.	By draft Pres. Staley, Convention Mis. 1921	3,400.00
Dec. 29.	By draft Pres. Staley, December collections	2,072.03
		$ 15,325.71
Dec. 31.	To amount paid on vouchers, December	3,533.34

Dec. 1.	By balance in bank	$ 11,792.37
Jan. 12.	By return E. H. Elder, Lumber City, Ga.	1,000.00
		$ 12,792.37
Jan. 31.	To amount paid on vouchers, January	9,411.93
Jan. 31.	By balance in bank	$ 3,380.44
Feb. 6.	By draft Pres. Staley, January collections	2,248.86
		$ 5,629.30
Feb. 28.	To amount paid on vouchers, January	1,600.00
Feb. 28.	By balance in bank	$ 4,029.30
Mar. 6.	By draft Pres. Staley, February collections	1,292.95
		$ 5,322.25
Mar. 31.	To amount paid on vouchers, March	4,815.76
Mar. 31.	By balance in bank	$ 506.49
Apl. 3.	By draft Pres. Staley, March collections	1,551.54
Apl. 21.	By draft Pres. Staley, Woman's Board	812.25
		$ 2,870.28
Apl. 30.	To amount paid on vouchers, April	2,129.57
Apl. 30.	By balance in bank	$ 740.71
May 5.	By draft Pres. Staley, April collections	1,734.21
May 12.	By draft Pres. Staley, loan S. C. C.	3,765.00
		$ 6,239.92
May 31.	To amount paid on vauchers, May	1,212.48
May 31.	By balance in bank	$ 5,027.44
June 6.	By draft Pres. Staley, May collections	1,529.92
		$ 6,557.36
June 30.	To amount paid on vouchers, June	1,444.43
June 30.	By balance in bank	$ 5,112.93
July 5.	By draft Pres. Staley, June collections	1,158.55
July 18.	By draft C. D. West, Treas. M. & M.	4,000.00
		$ 10,271.48
July 31.	To amount paid on vouchers, July	7,276.35
July 31.	By balance in bank	$ 2,995.13
Aug. 12.	By draft Pres. L. E. Smith, July collections	598.78
Aug. 30.	By savings bank, principal and interest	2,142.77
		$ 5,736.68
Aug. 31.	To amount paid on vouchers, August	133.64
Aug. 31.	By balance in bank	$ 5,603.04
1922.		
Sept. 1.	Total assets in hand	$ 14,010.68

Distributed as follows:

Cash to credit current account	$ 5,603.04
U. S. bonds and stamps	1,355.00
Three shares Elon Bank	150.00
Note, Elm Avenue, Portsmouth	2,000.00
Savings	4,902.64
	$14,010.68

Begin audit.

Aug. 31.	By balance in bank		$ 5,603.04
Sept. 1.	By draft Pres. L. E. Smith, August collections		806.99
			$ 6,410.03
Sept. 29.	To amount paid on September vouchers		1,742.63
Sept. 30.	By balance in bank		$ 4,667.40
Oct. 6.	By draft Pres. Smith, September collections		591.08
Oct. 26.	By draft Pres. Smith, Convention missions		200.00
Oct. 26.	By draft Pres. Smith, foreign missions		210.00
Oct. 26.	By draft Pres. Smith, Woman's Board Rich'd Church		3,062.74
Oct. 26.	By draft Pres. Smith, Japan S. S. W.'s Board		25.00
			$ 8,756.22
Oct. 30.	To amount paid on vouchers, October		4,185.15
Oct. 31.	By balance in bank		$ 4,571.07
Nov. 6.	By draft Pres. Smith, October collections		1,392.98
Nov. 22.	By draft Pres. Smith, for Miss Tokohashi		25.00
Nov. 22.	By draft Pres. Smith, Mrs. Watanabe		14.00
Nov. 22.	By draft Pres. Smith, Mrs. Fry's School		37.50
Nov. 22.	By draft Pres. Smith, Japan S. S.		12.50
Nov. 22.	By draft Pres. Smith, Y. P. Missionary Society		5.00
Nov. 15.	By draft Pres. Smith, W. B. for Richmond Church		1,000.00
			$ 7,058.05
Nov. 30.	To amount paid on vouchers, November		6,422.15
Nov. 30.	By balance in bank		$ 635.90
Dec. 2.	By draft Pres. Smith, part November collections		1,212.10
Dec. 4.	Returned Secy. Minton amount paid Miss Williams		200.00
Dec. 16.	Draft Pres. Smith, balance November collections		250.40
Dec. 30.	Returned Secy. Minton amount paid Miss Williams		250.00
			$ 2,548.40
Dec. 30.	To amount paid on vouchers, December		2,133.15
Dec. 31.	By balance in bank		$ 415.25
Jan. 2.	By draft Pres. Smith, M. & M.		4,000.00
Jan. 2.	By draft Pres. Smith, Convention foreign missions		4,196.70
Jan. 3.	By cash for War Savings Stamps		355.00
Jan. 6.	Draft Pres. Smith, Convention home missions		3,353.20
Jan. 6.	By draft Pres. Smith, December collections		1,597.91
			$ 13,918.06
Jan. 31.	To amount paid on vouchers, January		9,458.14
Jan. 31.	By balance in bank		$ 4,459.92

Feb. 5.	By draft Pres. Smith, January collections		1,159.63
			$ 5,619.55
Feb. 26.	To amount paid on vouchers, February		6,012.42
Feb. 28.	To amount overdraft	$	392.87
Mar. 6.	By draft Pres. Smith, February collections	$	1,132.65
Mar. 12.	From savings bank, principal and interest		1,070.00
Mar. 13.	From savings bank, principal and interest		2,131.24
Mar. 15.	From savings bank, principal and interest		2,036.47
		$	6,370.36
	Less amount overdraft above		392.87
		$	5,977.49
Mar. 31.	To amount paid on vouchers, March		6,300.00
Apl. 1.	To amount overdraft	$	322.51
	March 31, 1923—Assets:		
	U. S. Bonds	$	1,000.00
	Three shares Elon Bank stock		150.00
	Note, Elm Avenue, Portsmouth		2,000.00
		$	3,150.00
	Less overdraft		322.51
	April 1, 1923, assets	$	2,827.49

April 26, 1923.

This is to certify that we have this, the 30th day of April, 1923, examined the books and accounts of Dr. J. O. Atkinson, Mission Treasurer, and find same to be correct, with vouchers covering all moneys embodied in his accounts.

G. O. LANKFORD,
MRS. W. H. CARROLL.

REV. J. O. ATKINSON,
ELON COLLEGE, N. C.

Dear Dr. Atkinson,—Below I give you statement of receipts and disbursements as of April 15, 1923. I have attempted to classify the expenditures, though such apportionment may not be accurate, since some of the drafts did not indicate the various heads under which they should be charged. However, I think there is some value in the classification attempted herein.

EXPENSES.

Auditing	$	25.00
Interest		6.76
Incidentals		1,312.81
Salaries		4,223.16
Printing		601.21
Christian Sun		5,539.40
	$	11,708.34

DISTRIBUTED TO BENEFICIARIES.

Missions	$8,000.00
Bethlehem College	5,400.00
Elon College	3,600.00
Ministerial education	4,500.00
Christian Sun	2,250.00

Veteran ministers	1,000.00	
Christian Orphanage	1,000.00	
Reigious education	1,100.00	
Sunday School and Christian Education	300.00	
Conventions	400.00	
		27,550.00
		$ 39,258.34
Balance on hand April 15, 1922		$ 14,483.69
Collected since		26,235.00
		$ 40,718.69
Total expenditures		39,258.34
Balance on hand		$ 1,460.35

Yours very truly,

C. D. WEST.

Address, "Forward Together," by Dr. J. O. Atkinson.

Address, "Pledges and Moral Obligation," by Dr. W. H. Dennison.

Address, "Recruiting the Ministry," by Dr. W. P. Minton.

Address, "The State of the Church," by Lieut.-Gov. J. E. West.

It was moved and carried that a Special Committee on Publications be appointed, to report at this session. President appointed J. O. Atkinson, Stanley C. Harrell, W. P. Lawrence, W. K. Holt, A. W. Andes.

Report of Committee on Nominations was submitted and adopted as follows:

Your Committee on Nominations report the following names for Trustees of Elon College: W. F. Corwith, J. M. Darden, I. W. Pritchard, Joe W. Stout, J. A. Kimball, T. E. Brickhouse, Floyd Hurst, L. E. Smith, R. C. Helfenstein, Geo. F. Whitley, John King, V. O. Roberson.

On Christian Union: L. E. Smith, J. O. Atkinson, C. H. Rowland, A. R. Flowers, D. R. Fonville, W. A. Harper, W. W. Staley.

W. W. STALEY, *Chairman,*
P. J. KERNODLE,
W. M. JAY, *Secretary,*
Committee.

Adjourned for dinner.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON.

Convention met and called to order at 1:30 o'clock. Worship conducted by Rev. A. R. Flowers, Dendron, Va.

The following resolution, offered by Dr. W. A. Harper, was adopted:

"Whereas, there is a prevalent and growing sentiment for closer co-operattion with the General Convention of the Christian Church on the part of this Convention; therefore, be it resolved, That a special committee, of which the President shall be Chairman, be appointed to study this question and report at the 1924 session."

The Committee on Resolutions submitted the following report, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the Convention express, by rising vote, its appreciation of the hearty welcome and splendid hospitality of the pastor, Rev. Dr. J. P. Barrett, and of the membership and friends of the Henderson Christian Church, so graciously demonstrated in caring for this Convention.

2. That the Convention express its appreciation to the public press for the liberal space given to the reports of the proceedings of this body.

R. L. WILLIAMSON,
W. P. LAWRENCE.

Address, "Stewardship and Giving," by Dr. W. H. Denison.

It was moved and carried that the address of Dr. Denison be printed.

Report of the Orphanage Board was read by Mr. W. K. Holt, Chairman.

Address by Mr. W. K. Holt.

Address by Mr. Chas. D. Johnston, Superintendent.

Address by Rev. E. M. Carter.

Report adopted as follows:

To the President and Members of the Southern Christian Convention:

As chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Christian Orphanage, Elon College, N. C., I beg to make this report for the fiscal year beginning April 1, 1922, and ending March 31, 1923.

On April 1, 1922, we had in our care eighty-three children; since that time we have admitted thirty children and have sent out twelve, leaving in our care on March 31, 1923, the end of our fiscal year, one hundred and one children —sixty boys and forty-one girls. We have thirty-eight boys, ages from two to ten years; seventeen boys, ages from ten to fifteen, and five boys, ages from fifteen to eighteen years. We have thirteen girls, ages from two to ten years; sixteen girls, ages from ten to fifteen years, and twelve girls, ages from fifteen to eighteen.

So far as handling the work in the institution is concerned, we are in good shape, as we have this number of large girls; but on the farm we only have five boys who are large enough to be of much help to us, and they are in school nine months in the year and several of them will go out when the school term ends.

We are very grateful for the loyal support of our Churches and the kindly interest that has been shown us. Our people have been liberal, considering the depression we have been going through and the many calls we have to meet.

The cotton mills have been real good to us and have been very liberal in their contributions of cloth. The fertilizer manufacturers have also been kind to us and have made contributions in fertilizer to help along in the work.

The good women of our Church have helped in a splendid spirit and have made and sent to us many little dresses for the little girls and a number of suits for the little boys, besides sheets, quilts, pillow-cases and many other articles which have been of much help in the work.

The health of the chidren has been exceptionally good, except in the months of January and February, when a scourge of "flu" and pneumonia struck us. We had fifty cases of "flu" and seven cases of pneumonia, but were successful in handling them, and did not lose any.

We have not been able to take all the children that made application to us, but have taken the most needy and have had to turn the others away. We could make room for thirty more, if we had ample funds to assure us that we would not get financially embarrassed.

We feel that our church has a great opportunity to do a great work of love and charity through our Orphanage. So many, many mothers have been left helpless with a family of little children and no means of support, that it is often very touching to witness their dire distress. When we think of the abounding wealth in our denomination and listen to the cry of the helpless and have to refuse their pitiful plea on account of the lack of funds, it makes us feel that our denomination is doing a small part, when it is only taking care of one hundred children.

May the day come in the near future when our people will awake to their Christian duty and make use of their opportunity in this work.

INCOME.

Sunday School Monthly Offerings	$5,020.10	
Children's Offerings	2.10	
Special Offerings	8,735.90	
Easter Offerings	4,512.77	
Thanksgiving Offerings	6,381.48	
Men and Millions	1,000.00	
Baby Home Pledge	60.00	
Miscellaneous	78.15	
		$25,790.50

EXPENSE ACCOUNT.

Superintendent's Salary	$2,400.00	
Matrons	1,685.00	
Clothing	1,590.75	
Groceries	3,327.60	
Medicine	118.13	
Water and Lights	460.17	
Postage	118.64	
Office Supplies	264.50	
Fuel	27.50	
Furniture	214.50	
Baby Home	187.40	
Repairs	27.25	
Farm Expense	2,307.67	
Dairy Expense	313.45	
Miscellaneous	5,058.05	
		18,100.61
Income above expense		$ 7,689.89

FARM RECEIPTS.

Wheat	$ 128.75	
Oats	79.20	
Corn	150.00	
Hay and Silo Feed	937.50	
Irish Potatoes	180.00	
Sweet Potatoes	280.00	
Vegetables	185.00	
Stover	175.00	
Pork	605.44	
		$ 2,720.89

FARM EXPENSE.

Machinery	$ 36.00	
Labor	1,058.75	
Fertilizer	93.60	
Seed	18.50	
Feed	43.25	
Repairs	90.20	
Oil	244.34	
Miscellaneous	723.03	
		2,307.67
Profit		$ 413.22

DAIRY RECEIPTS.

Milk	$1,634.00	
Sundry	3.00	
		$ 1,637.00

DAIRY EXPENSE.

Shipstuff	$ 261.20	
Dry Feed	.52.25	
		$ 313.45
Profit		$ 1,323.55

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

To balance brought forward from last year	$ 4,528.09
Total income from all sources, fiscal year ending March 31, 1923..	25,790.50
Total cash	$30,318.59
Total expense of the insitution for the year beginning April 1, 1922 and ending March 31, 1923, including repairs and improvements	$18,100.61
Balance, cash on hand and in bank April 1, 1923	$12,217.98

AUDITING COMMITTEE.

To the Board of Trustees of the Christian Orphanage, Elon College, N. C.:

We, your Auditing Committee, beg to make the following report:

We have this day audited the books of Chas. D. Johnston, Superintendent Christian Orphanage, and find the following:

Income for the fiscal year beginning April 1, 1922, and ending March 31, 1923, is	$ 25,790.50
Amount brought forward from last year	4,528.09
Total	$ 30,318.59
We find that the total expense for the institution for the same period, including all repairs and improvements, was	18,100.61
Cash on hand April 1, 1923	$ 12,217.98

Very respectfully submitted,

H. W. SIMPSON,
JNO. R. FOSTER,
G S. WATSON,
Auditing Committee.

April 19, 1923.

Very respectfully submitted,

W. K. HOLT,
Chairman Board of Trustees of Christian Orphanage.

Special prayer for Rev. George D. Eastes, led by Revs. W. H. Denison and G. O. Lankford.

An offering was received for Brother Eastes, amounting to $53.50, which was turned over to the President to be delivered.

Following resolution offered by Dr. W. A. Harper, was, on motion, adopted:

Resolved, That Mr. W. E. McClenny be elected the official historian of the Southern Christian Convention, and that he especially be requsted to publish articles and books growing out of his researches, to collect original records for our college libraries, and to report in writing at each session of the Convention.

Report of Committee on Finance was submitted and adopted as follows, except the items concerning the apportionment of funds, which was referred to a commission, to be appointed and report at next session:

Henderson, N. C., May 3, 1923.

Your Committee on Finance begs leave to make the following reports:

Treasurer's Report.—Dr. W. C. Wicker, treasurer. Your committee has examined this report thoroughly and carefully, and we find the receipts correspond with the statement submitted by the Elon Banking and Trust Company.

Disbursements.—The drafts drawn by the President and Secretary of the Convention correspond with the treasurer's report. This report is absolutely correct. The balances carried forward by the treasurer's report correspond with the balances submitted by the bank's statement.

Recommendations.—We recommend that the balance to the credit of the Christian Orphanage fund ($6.05) be paid by draft in favor of the superintendent, and account closed.

We also recommend that the overdrafts of $200.00, drawn in favor of the Mission Board, be refunded.

Recommendation No. 3—Patron, Dr. W. W. Staley:

Whereas, the "Men and Millions" pledges will expire, except in cases where the time is extendd, in 1925; and, whereas, some provision must be made to keep alive the work of the various departments of the Convention; and, whereas, this can be done more effectively by some permanent financial system; and, whereas, the membership of this Convention, after leaving out non-residents, indifferent and destitute ones, is 25,000; now, therefore,

Resolved, That the Conferences composing this Convention be requested to ask the local Churches, at the 1923 session, to pay to the Convention, annually, the sum of $2.00 per capita, payments to begin with the 1925 annual Conferences.

This would make a total sum of $50,000 for the following purposes, divided according to the following schedule, or some modification thereof—

	Per Cent.
Education	30
Missions	40
Publications	8
Convention	2
Orphanage	5
Superannuation	5
Sunday Schools	5
Christian Endeavor	5
	100

(Note.—Referred to a committee, to report at next session.—Sec'y.)

We further recommend that the presidents, secretaries, or leaders, of these various departments be permitted to go into the various Conferences and solicit, from the Churches or individuals, funds to carry on the work in these departments.

The recommendations submitted to your committee by the Convention, under this report—"Report of Secretary Religious Education, Dr. W. T. Walters"—were only those carrying items of expense.

Recommendation No. 1.—"That the Chautauqua and School of Methods at Elon College be continued under the supervision of this board, provided the Convention will make financial provision, and that our Churches be urged to avail themselves of the fellowship and training offered there."

Your committee decided that this recommendation was outside of their jurisdiction, as this should be referred back to the Convention to be threshed out on the floor.

Recommendation No. 7.—"In order to maintain this department, the Southern Christian Convention donate $1,000.00 for the present year's work from the Convention fund."

Your committee approves this recommendation.

The following bills have been approved by your committee:

Dr. L. E. Smith, for traveling expenses	$20.31
Bill expenses for supplies paid by your secretary, Dr. I. W. Johnson	8.00
Also salary	25.00
Assistant secretary and typist, Miss Mary Andrews	20.00

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN KING, *Chairman.*
K. B. JOHNSON.
JAS. L. FOSTER.

The following resolutions offered by Rev. E. B. Flory were adopted:

Resolved, That the Board of Trustees of Elon and Bethlehem Colleges are hereby authorized to arrange for a "Library Day" in all our Churches for the benefit of the libraries of these colleges.

Whereas, a disastrous fire visited Elon College on January 18, 1923;

Whereas, no general canvass for funds to rebuild is possible, in view of pledges given during the "Men and Millions Forward Movement Campaign"; and

Whereas, every member of our brotherhood should have an opportunity to have part in a "Greater Elon Program";

Whereas, further, Bethehem College needs additional funds in her building program; therefore, be it resolved:

First, That during the college period this summer an offering be received in every Church in cash for these colleges, and that the money so received be divided as follows: 25 per cent to Bethlehem and 75 per cent to Elon.

Second, That the Churches be urged to make this offering at least an average of $1.00 per member.

It was moved and carried that the Proceedings be printed, and that 500 copies be distributed among the ministers and Churches of the Convention, same to be paid for by the Convention.

Report of the Special Committee on Publications was read and adopted as follows:

We, your Committee on Publications, submit the following report:

1. We recommend that the *Annual* be printed on the same terms as last year, and we further recommend that the secretaries of the various bodies, whose proceedings are to appear in the *Annual,* shall have their minutes in the hands of the publishers by December 1, 1923.

2. That the salary of the editor of *The Christian Sun* be fixed at $1,800.00 a year, beginning as soon as he may be relieved from pastoral work, and that he be expected to give practically his entire time to the editorial work.

3. That the respective duties of the editor and the managing editor of *The Christian Sun* shall be as follows:

The editor shall be responsible for the matter, other than advertisements, and all matter other than advertisements shall be furnishd by him. The managing editor shall furnish such matter only in case the editor fails to supply sufficient copy to fill the paper.

The managing editor shall be responsible for the mechanical appearance of the paper, including proof-reading, and for the advertising matter appearing therein; and he shall conform as nearly as may be, in the make-up of the paper, to the agreement between him and the editor as to the space allotted to the respective departments. The managing editor shall not be required to publish anything which shall, in his judgment, be detrimental to the business interests of *The Christian Sun*.

That in case of failure of either party to conform to this specification of duties, complaint may, and should, be made to the Board of Publications for redress.

4. That the Convention hereby express its appreciation of the excellent paper that the editor and managing editor have given us during the past ten months, and that the Convention pledge its loyalty and hearty support to these brethren and do all in its power to increase the circulation of the paper.

J. O. ATKINSON.
W. P. LAWRENCE.
W. K. HOLT.
STANLEY C. HARRELL.
A. W. ANDES.

Adjourned until evening session. Benediction by Dr. W. H. Denison.

THURSDAY—EVENING SESSION.

Convention met at 8 o'clock. Minutes of today read and approved.

Miss Lucy Eldredge spoke concerning the Chautauqua and Summer School, to be held at Elon College during the summer.

It was moved and carried that the Report of the Committee on Revision of Principles and Government be referred to the Executive Committee, with the power to act.

Worship conducted by Rev. E. M. Carter.

Address, "The Denominational Responsibility in Evangelism," by Dr. Roy C. Helfenstein.

Address, "The Responsibility of the Local Church in Evangelism," by Dr. W. D. Parry.

Convention adjourned to meet Tuesday before first Sunday in May, 1924. Place to be determined by the Executive Committee.

Benediction by Dr. J. W. Wellons.

L. E. SMITH, *President*,
I. W. JOHNSON, *Secretary*, N. G. NEWMAN, *Vice-President*,
(MISS) MARY ANDREWS, *Ass't Secretary*,

Proceedings of the Seventy-Fifth Annual Session of the Virginia Valley Christian Conference

TIMBER RIDGE CHRISTIAN CHURCH.

AUGUST 14-16, 1923.

The Seventy-Fifth Session of the Virginia Valley Central Christian Conference met, and was called to order, at 10 A. M., by the President, Dr. W. T. Walters. Devotional services were conducted by Dr. W. T. Walters.

ENROLLMENT.

Ordained Ministers—W. T. Walters, A. W. Andes, W. C. Hook, R. P. Crumpler, J. F. Morgan, D. B. Seal.
Licentiates—L. R. Townsend, Wm. M. Clem.

Churches and Delegates.

Antioch—Earl Showalter, Benjamin C. Deavers.
Bethel—Not represented.
Bethlehem—Lydia Pickering, Mamie Summers.
Beulah—Not represented.
Christian Chapel—Not represented.
Concord—V. T. Huffman, Ida Huffman.
Dry Run—Not represented.
East Liberty—John Henderson, Walter Plum.
High Point—Scott Roach, Sigourney Crawford.
Island Ford—Not represented.
Joppa—Not represented.
Leaksville—V. L. Eppard, J. E. Foster, Keyser Rothgeb, Lena Rothgeb.
Linville—Not represented.
Mayland—J. D. Hillyard, Delia Spitzer.
Mt. Lebanon—Not represented.
Mt. Olivet (G)—Elsie Morris, Norman Morris.
Mt. Olivet (R)—Not represented.
New Hope—Lena Hasler, J. R. Liskey.
Newport—Not represented.
Palmyra—Lula Newland, Retta Clinedinst.
St. Peter's—Not represented.
Timber Mountain—J. H. Park, Ward Newbanks.
Timber Ridge—Albert Fletcher, Lemuel Johnson, J. M. Anderson, H. G. Brill.

Washington—Not represented.
Whistler's Chapel—Not represented.
Winchester—E. W. Cather, Frances Hook, Mary Kerlin, Margaret Larrick.
Woods' Chapel—Milton Silvius.

Welcome address by Rev. A. W. Andes.

Response by Rev. R. P. Crumpler.

On motion, the following were invited to seats as deliberative members: Dr. W. H. Denison, field secretary of the Forward Movement; Prof. P. J. Kernodle, managing editor of *The Christian Sun;* Charles D. Johnston, superintendent of the Christian Orphanage. Each responded with appropriate remarks.

REPORT OF PROGRAM COMMITTEE.

We, your Program Committee, report that we have arranged the program for this session of conference, and have had 200 copies printed at a cost of $4.22.

W. T. WALTERS,
A. W. ANDES,
R. P. CRUMPLER,
Committee.

Adopted, with the privilege of making such changes as may be necessary at any time.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

We, your Executive Committee, report that during the year we have granted a letter of transfer to Rev. B. J. Earp to the Eastern Virginia Conference.

We have also authorized the payment of $100 to Rev. D. B. Seal for work done in the conference.

We received letter of transfer for Rev. J. F. Morgan, and approved his reception into the conference.

W. T. WALTERS,
A. W. ANDES,
SAMUEL EARMAN,
Committee.

Adopted.

"Our Achievements for the Past Year" was discussed by the delegates present.

On motion, the following bills were ordered paid: 60 cents for report blanks, and $4.22 for printing programs.

Adjourned for dinner.

TUESDAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Called to order by President at 1:45. Devotional exercises conducted by Rev. W. C. Hook.

Special committees were appointed, as follows:
Nominations—N. M. Hasler, V. L. Eppard, E. W. Cather.
Place for Next Session—J. H. Morris, Lydia Pickering, J. R. Liskey.

Resolutions—J. E. Foster, J. D. Hillyard, Dr. W. H. Denison.
Finance—J. H. Park, Albert Fletcher.

On motion, Prof. A. L. Hook, of Elon College, and Miss Pattie Coghill, field worker for the Woman's Board, were invited to seats as deliberative members.

Annual address by Rev. J. F. Morgan.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

The Bible is the Book of books; it is the inspired Word of God; it is our rule of faith and practice, and we urge, on the part of our constituency, a more careful and systematic reading of the Bible.

We insist on a more loyal support of *The Christian Sun, The Herald of Gospel Liberty, The Christian Missionary, The Journal of Christian Education,* and all other helpful and inspiring literature published by our denomination.

We consider the influence of our secular papers and magazines as an important factor in determining the intellectual and spiritual development of the home circle, and therefore, urge that greater care be exercised in the choosing of such periodicals.

W. C. HOOK,
Committee.

Report adopted.

An address was delivered by Prof. P. J. Kernodle.

Dr. W. H. Denison delivered an address on "The Larger Call to Publicity."

Adjourned till 8 o'clock tonight.

TUESDAY—NIGHT SESSION.

Prof. A. L. Hook interested the audience in Elon College by use of the stereopticon.

Dr. J. O. Atkinson preached an eloquent sermon.

WEDNESDAY—MORNING SESSION.

Conference called to order at 9:30 by the President. Morning worship conducted by Rev. J. F. Morgan. Roll called. Minutes of yesterday read and approved.

On motion, Dr. J. O. Atkinson, mission secretary, was invited to a seat as a deliberative member.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MORAL REFORM.

We rejoice to know that in some respects the morals are better and the standards of morality in this country are much higher today than they were twenty-five years or more ago. However, there is urgent need for improvement in our present moral conditions; and in many respects our standards of morality should e raised much higher than they are today. Some of the worst evils by which the Virginia Valley is afflicted today are, the very frequent violations of the prohibition laws, various forms of Sabbath desecration, the use of profane language, and the social evils or licentiousness. These and other sins such as dishonesty, lying and gossiping are not confined to those outside of the church;

but many church members are guilty of such evil practices. It is the duty of every person belonging to a church to be a real regenerated Christian and to live daily a genuine Christian life. It is also incumbent upon the older Christians to teach the young people of the Church and the unsaved people what is right and what is wrong.

It is high time for all of our people to awaken more fully to the menacing magnitude of the liquor business, and the insidious wet propaganda, and to help maintain law and order by bravely testifying to the whole truth whenever called to the witness stand, by courageously convicting the guilty when serving as jurors, and by helping to create a strong public sentiment in favor of prohibition and law enforcement.

R. P. CRUMPLER,
J. K. EPPARD,
E. W. CATHER,
Committee.

Report adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

Much emphasis has been laid upon the increased earning capacity that an education gives. While we are in hearty accord with this, we feel that a greater emphasis should be placed upon the enlarged sphere of usefulness made possible by an education.

We recommend:

1. That, with the vision of larger usefulness, our young people avail themselves of all reasonable educational opportunities.
2. That Rev. Wm. M. Clem be ordained to the gospel ministry at this session of Conference.
3. That Bro. John W. Henderson be licensed as a probationer, and that he enter school as soon as possible for further preparation for the ministry.
4. That Rev. D. B. Seal, having done good work during the past year, be admitted to full membership in the Conference.
5. That a committee be appointed to consider the advisability of the establishment of a Christian college somewhere within the bounds of the Conference.

A. W. ANDES,
J. F. MORGAN,
Committee.

Adopted.

Ministerial reports were read.

An address on the "Christian Orphanage" was made by Chas. D. Johnston, superintendent of the Orphanage. A collection was taken for the Orphanage, amounting to $33.38.

Adjourned for dinner.

WEDNESDAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference called to order at 1:45 by President. Devotional services conducted by Rev. Wm. M. Clem.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

We are pleased to note that there is an increasing interest along missionary lines in our Conference. Our pastors realize the importance of this great subject, and our Churches are feeling more keenly their responsibility of helping to carry the story of Jesus to the uttermost parts of the world. Missions is the big business of the Church, and in order that it may be well done, eery Church

and every individual member of the Church should have a part in carrying out the command of our Lord, "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature."

Therefore, your committee submits the following recommendations and suggestions:

1. That all our people pray definitely for the mission cause, our mission boards, and the great body of the Church, that there may come to us all a larger missionary vision.

2. We would suggest the importance of a definite, well-defined missionary program in each church of our conference, with an annual every-member canvass, and with a regular, systematic offering for missions.

3. We recommend systematic missionary instruction in all our Sunday Schools and Christian Endeavor Societies, together with opportunity and encouragement for definite giving to missions at least once a month.

4. We commend the work done by the Women's Missionary Societies, in our conference, and recommend that such societies and Young People's Missionary Societies be organized in all our churches, and that the pastors cooperate with the women and render them all the assistance possible in making this work a greater success.

5. We recommend a greater reading of our mission literature, as is found in *The Christian Missionary* and our church papers, also mission pamphlets and mission books, in order that we may be better informed as to the needs and progress of mission work throughout the world.

MRS. BOYD RICHARDS,
Committee.

Report adopted.

Address, "The Church's Response to Life Dedication," by Dr. W. H. Denison.

CONFERENCE MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION.

The hour for the meeting of the Conference Missionary Association having arrived, the President of that body being absent, it was moved and carried that the Conference President preside. Rev. W. T. Walters made an appeal in behalf of the Association. Three new members were added.

The Association Treasurer reported $210.50 collected in membership fees.

On motion, the name of Rev. B. J. Earp was dropped according to his request.

On motion, the Treasurer was authorized to pay Rev. A. W. Andes 96 cents for postage.

The following officers for the Association were elected: President, Rev. J. F. Morgan; Secretary, Rev. A. W. Andes. On motion, the Secretary was made Treasurer also.

Conference Missionary Association adjourned.

Conference in session again.

Some Church reports were read.

On motion, Conference adjourned.

WEDNESDAY—NIGHT SESSION.

This service was held under the auspices of the Woman's Mission Board, and was presided over by Mrs. Boyd R. Richards, President of the Board. Reports from the officers were read. The Treasurer reported $300.31 raised by the various societies during the year. Four Churches have Woman's Missionary Societies, with a total membership of 104; six Churches have Young People's Societies, with a total membership of 184; three Churches have missionary cradle rolls, with 30 enrolled.

Miss Pattie Coghill delighted the audience with a helpful talk on "Our Mission Work."

Dr. J. O. Atkinson gave a great address on "Where Our Money Goes."

An offering was taken, amounting to $13.75, to be divided between China and Carroll County, Va.

The goal set for this year is $750.

The women's societies will divide their funds between China and Richmond, Va.

The young people's societies will divide their funds between Porto Rico and Carroll County, Va.

The funds from the cradle roll department will be divided between the orphanages at Sendai, Japan, and at Elon College, N. C.

THURSDAY—MORNING SESSION.

Conference called to order at 9:30 by President. Morning worship conducted by Rev. J. F. Morgan.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR.

We believe the greatest organization in the Church for the training of young people, especially young Christians, is the Christian Endeavor Society. This organization trains our people to render outspoken service to Christ along the line of tithing, prayer, Bible reading, public testimony, and a loyalty to Christ and the Church. Such an organization should have a place in every Church.

Your committee recommends, therefore:

1. The organization of a Christian Endeavor Society in every Church in our Conference.

2. The forming of a Christian Endeavor Expert class in every Christian Endeavor Society.

3. That each society co-operate with the State Christian Endeavor Union and the State district and the city C. E. Unions.

4. That where there is only part-time preaching in a Church, the Christian Endeavor Society be encouraged to hold its weekly service at the regular preaching hour, when the pastor is not present, and that the people in the community be invited to this service. This, of course, cannot take the place of the preaching service, but we believe it will be far better than no service at all, and will surely prove a great blessing to the young people, and to the community as

well, and can be made a great power in extending the cause of Christ in any Church whose pastor can be present only once or twice a month.

J. F. MORGAN,
W. E. BRILL,
W. C. WAMPLER,
Committee.

Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

In taking a view of the work of the Sunday Schools in this Conference the past year, we find that many of them have done good work and are making progress, while some may not have been able to make the progress or do the work they would like.

We are very grateful for the good contributions made by our Sunday Schools to the Orphanage and to missions. The Sunday School that is missionary in spirit and giving will be a growing Sunday School. We hope the time will soon come when all of our schools will give one offering each month to the Orphanage and to missions.

The Sunday School is the great educational force of the Church; therefore, we, your committee, make the following recommendations:

1. That each Church make a special effort to have at least two representatives at our Chautauqua and School of Methods at Elon College next year.
2. That during the week of the Chautauqua and School of Methods, no special services be put on at any of our Churches, so as not to interfere with the work of the Chautauqua.
3. That, if possible, every Church arrange for a daily vacation Bible school; if not convenient for one Church to hold such a school, that an effort be made to group two or more Churches together for that purpose.
4. That each Sunday School set as a goal a 10 per cent increase in membership and attendance for the approaching year.

ROY A. LARRICK,
J. E. FOSTER,
Committee.

Adopted.

An address on "Religious Education" was made by Dr. W. T. Walters.

An address, "Acknowledgment of Our Stewardship," by Dr. W. H. Denison.

Committee to investigate the advisability of establishing a Christian college within the bounds of this Conference was appointed as follows: W. C. Wampler, W. M. Clem, James Bradford, Nelson F. Richards, A. W. Andes, J. F. Morgan, R. P. Crumpler.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

HOME MISSIONS.

Cash on hand		$ 885.88
Conference Missionary Association		209.54
Conference collections		170.01
Total amount received		$1,265.43
Paid Rev. A. W. Andes	$100.00	
Paid Rev. W. M. Clem	10.00	
Paid Rev. R. P. Crumpler	200.00	
Paid Rev. W. C. Hook	200.00	
Paid Rev. D. B. Seal	100.00	
Paid Rev. W. C. Wicker, Treas. S. C. C.	50.00	

Treasurer's commission	3.80	
		663.80
Balance on hand		$ 601.63
C. A. Henton note		69.98
FOREIGN MISSIONS.		
Cash on hand		$ 213.65
Conference collections		226.56
Total amount received		$ 440.21
Paid Rev. W. C. Wicker, Treas. S. C. C.	$210.00	
Treasurer's commission	2.27	
		212.27
Balance on hand		$ 227.94
SUPERANNUATED FUND.		
Cash on hand		$ 88.71
Conference collections		94.37
Total amount received		$ 183.08
Paid Rev. W. C. Wicker, Treas. S. C. C.	$ 85.00	
Treasurer's commission	.94	
		85.94
Balance on hand		$ 97.14
CONFERENCE FUND.		
Cash on hand		$ 43.00
Conference collections		75.53
Received for "Annuals"		24.00
Total amount received		$ 142.53
Paid Rev. A. W. Andes	$ 24.53	
Paid Dr. W. T. Walters	10.00	
Paid Central Publishing Company, for "Annuals"	75.00	
Treasurer's commission	1.00	
		110.53
Balance on hand		$ 32.00
CONVENTION FUND.		
Cash on hand		$ 55.00
Conference collections		56.67
Total amount received		$ 111.67
Paid Rev. W. C. Wicker, Treas. S. C. C.	$ 50.00	
Treasurer's commission	.57	
		50.57
Balance on hand		$ 61.10
CONVENTION MISSIONS.		
Cash on hand		$ 209.96
Conference collections		226.56
Total amount received		$ 436.52
Paid Rev. W. C. Wicker, Treas. S. C. C.	$200.00	
Treasurer's commission	2.27	
		202.27
Balance on hand		$ 234.25

CHURCH EXTENSION FUND.

Cash on hand		$ 222.23
Conference collections		188.74
Total amount received		$ 410.97
Paid R. A. Burke for Dry Run Church	$200.00	
Treasurer's commission	1.89	
		201.89
Balance on hand		$ 209.08

ELON COLLEGE FUND.

Cash on hand		$ 213.88
Conference collections		226.56
Total amount received		$ 440.44
Paid Rev. W. C. Wicker, Treas. S. C. C.	$210.00	
Treasurer's commission	2.27	
		212.27
Balance on hand		$ 228.17

TOTALS BROUGHT FORWARD.

Home Missions	$ 601.63
Foreign Missions	227.94
Superannuated Fund	97.14
Conference Fund	32.00
Convention Fund	61.10
Convention Missions	234.25
Church Extension	209.08
Elon College Fund	228.17
Grand total	$1,691.31

SAMUEL EARMAN,
Treasurer.

By motion, report was referred to the Finance Committee.

Rev. W. M. Clem was ordained to the gospel ministry. Ordaining presbytery was composed of W. T. Walters, J. F. Morgan, R. P. Crumpler, J. O. Atkinson, W. C. Hook, and A. W. Andes.

Adjourned for dinner.

THURSDAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference called to order at 1:45. Devotional services conducted by Rev. L. R. Townsend.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOME MISSIONS.

We, your committee, submit the following recommendations:

1. That the sum of $200 be appropriated to the Page Valley pastorate, and that the sum of $100 be paid Rev. D. B. Seal, and that the amounts above be paid quarterly, in advance; and that the remaining home mission funds be left in the hands of the Executive and Home Mission Committees, to be used as may become necessary.

2. That the Mission Board of the Southern Christian Convention be asked to assist in paying the pastor's salary at Winchester, and also to assist in securing pastors for the pastorless Churches.

3. That $175 be paid to the Dry Run Church, on appropriation made last year, out of the Church extension fund.

SAMUEL EARMAN,
J. C. BRADFORD,
J. E. FOSTER,
Committee.

Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS.

We, your committee, recommend the following: For President, Dr. W. T. Walters; Vice-President, Rev. J. F. Morgan; Secretary, Rev. A. W. Andes; Assistant Secretary, Rev. R. P. Crumpler; Treasurer, Samuel Earman.

Officers of Woman's Home and Foreign Mission Board: President, Mrs. B. R. Richards; Honorary President, Mrs. W. T. Walters; Vice-President, Miss Ora Scott; Secretary, Mrs. B. F. Frank; Treasurer, Mrs. R. A. Larrick; Superintendent of Young People's Work, Mrs. A. W. Andes; Superintendent of Literature and Mite Boxes, Miss Ella Pickering; Superintendent of Cradle Roll, Mrs. R. P. Crumpler; Superintendent of Women's Work, Mrs. N. M. Hasler.

Delegates to the Southern Christian Convention: Rev. J. F. Morgan, Rev. A. W. Andes, Rev. W. C. Hook, Rev. R. P. Crumpler, E. F. Showalter, R. A. Larrick, D. H. Welch, W. N. Oates, N. M. Hasler, J. E. Foster.

Alternates: E. L. Louderback, E. A. Hillyard, J. E. Huffman, Mrs. B. R. Richards, Miss Ella Pickering, E. W. Cather.

N. M. HASLER,
V. L. EPPARD,
W. C. WAMPLER,
Committee.

Report adopted.

An offering was taken to defray the expenses of Dr. Denison. The offering amounted to $17.

An address on "Men and Millions" was given by Dr. J. O. Atkinson.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPORTIONMENT.

We recommend the following apportionments for next year: Home missions, $225; foreign missions, $300; Church extension, $250; superannuated fund, $125; Conference fund, $100; Convention fund, $75; Elon College fund, $300; Convention missions, $300—total, $1,675. To be raised by the Churches as follows: Antioch, $165; Bethel, $31; Bethlehem, $140; Beulah, $15; Christian Chapel, $18; Concord, $47; Dry Run, $55; East Liberty, $25; High Point, $18; Island Ford, $18; Joppa, $23; Leaksville, $160; Linville, $165; Mayland, $50; Mount Lebanon, $50; Mount Olivet (G), $85; Mount Olivet (R), $31; New Hope, $115; Newport, $110; Palmyra, $36; St. Peter's, $18; Timber Mountain, $30; Timber Ridge, free-will offering; Washington, $50; Whistler's Chapel, $25; Winchester, $155; Woods' Chapel, $40—total, $1,675.

A. W. ANDES,
R. P. CRUMPLER,
SAMUEL EARMAN,
Committee.

Report adopted.

On motion, Dr. W. T. Walters was elected to deliver the annual address next year. Rev. A. W. Andes was elected alternate.

Moved and carried that the President be authorized to draw orders on the Treasurer for such moneys as are to be paid out.

By motion, it was ordered that the Minutes be printed in the *Annual*, as usual, buying 150 and selling them at half price.

On motion, Treasurer was authorized to pay Secretary $20 for his services, this to be a standing salary.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SELECTING PLACE FOR NEXT MEETING.

Two Churches—Antioch and Concord—have invited the Conference to hold its next session with them. Inasmuch as Concord has entertained Conference since Antioch has, we recommend that the next session be held at Antioch.

R. P. CRUMPLER,
LYDIA PICKERING,
J. R. LISKEY,
Committee.

Adopted.

Standing committees were announced as follows:

Executive—W. T. Walters, A. W. Andes, Samuel Earman.
Foreign Missions—R. P. Crumpler, Mrs. Boyd R. Richards, Mrs. A. W. Andes.
Home Missions—Samuel Earman, J. C. Bradford, W. C. Wampler.
Sunday Schools—Roy A. Larrick, D. O. Rothgeb, J. H. Morris.
Christian Endeavor—J. F. Morgan, Walton Brill, E. S. Morris.
Moral Reform—W. M. Clem, D. B. Seal, N. M. Hasler.
Religious Literature—W. C. Hook, L. R. Townsend, Benjamin C. Deavers.
Education—A. W. Andes, J. F. Morgan, W. T. Walters.
Apportionments—A. W. Andes, W. C. Wampler, J. E. Foster.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

We have examined the Treasurer's report, found it correct, and recommend its adoption.

J. H. PARK,
AIBERT FLETCHER,
Committee.

Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

We offer the following resolutions:

1. That this Conference hereby expresses its hearty appreciation of the splendid and bounteous hospitality of the congregation of the Timber Ridge Christian Church, the faithfulness of its choir, and the hearty spirit shown to make this Conference a success from every local standpoint.

2. That we extend our thanks to the visiting brethren who have, by their presence and addresses, greatly inspired us with new ideals, new hopes and new visions for our Church for the future.

3. That we hereby pledge our loyal co-operation both to the officials and plans of the Conference, Southern Convention, and the General Convention of the Christian Church, and pray for our Church to go forward in Christian work and consecration.

4. That it be the sense of this Conference to undertake each year some definite, challenging, outstanding task that will draw out the prayer and financial resources of our Church. We urge the proper committees to offer definite plans to that end.

5. That we undertake in our Churches to carry out the worthy goal set by our denomination in the Burlington Convention, viz: that we set as our aim an increase of 15 per cent in all lines of work and giving of the Churches each year.

6. That this Conference hereby expresses itself as heartily believing in the full enforcement of the eighteenth amendment to the Constitution, and the Volstead act. Representing more than 2,000 members, we are opposed to any weakening of said act. We call upon those who represent us to stand squarely upon this issue, and not be influenced by the wet propaganda now being used. We pledge co-operation to all officers who faithfully perform their duty in law enforcement.

J. E. FOSTER,
J. D. HILLYARD,
W. H. DENISON,
Committee.

Adopted.

On motion, Rev. R. P. Crumpler was authorized to license Bro. John W. Henderson at such time and place as may be mutually convenient.

Moved and carried that the Conference meet each year on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday before the third Sunday in August, instead of as formerly.

On motion, Conference adjourned to meet at Antioch on Wednesday before the third Sunday in August, 1924.

BANNER CHURCHES.

The following Churches, having paid all Conference apportionments in full, are enrolled as—

Banner Churches—Bethlehem, Christian Chapel, Concord, Dry Run, East Liberty, High Point, Island Ford, Joppa, Mayland, Newport, Palmyra, Timber Mountain, Whistler's Chapel, Winchester, Woods' Chapel.

W. T. WALTERS, *President.*
A. W. ANDES, *Secretary.*

MINISTERIAL REPORTS.

A. W. Andes—Churches: Bethlehem, Concord, Mayland, Woods' Chapel, Whistler's Chapel, Palmyra, Joppa, Dry Run, Timber Ridge, Timber Mountain. Sermons, 257; conversions, 48; baptized, 28; addresses, 9; marriages, 3; members received, 35; pastoral visits, 835; burial services, 29; salary, $1,576.38.

W. M. Clem—No charge. Sermons, 6; addresses, 2. Student at Yale.

R. P. Crumpler—Churches: Bethel, East Liberty, Leaksville, Mt. Lebanon, Newport, St. Peter's. Sermons, 101; conversions, 55; baptized, 47; addresses, 5; marriages 3; prayer meetings, 21; members received, 51; pastoral visits, 465; burial services, 14; salary, $735.14.

W. C. Hook—Churches: Linville, Antioch, New Hope, Mt. Olivet (R), Mt. Olivet (G), Gentry's. Sermons, 157; conversions, 38; baptized, 29; addresses, 5; marriages, 3; prayer meetings, 4; members received, 26; pastoral visits, unknown; burial services, 5; salary, $1,360.41.

J. F. Morgan—Charge: First Christian Church of Winchester, Va. Sermons, 119; conversions, 18; baptized, 25; addresses, 7; marriages, 10; prayer meetings, 53; members received, 35; pastoral visits, 1,200; burial services, 9; salary, $2,000 and parsonage.

D. B. Seal—Churches: Christian Chapel, High Point, Island Ford. Sermons, 256; conversions, 34; baptized, 18; addresses, 97; marriages, 4; prayer meetings, 161; members received, 34; pastoral visits, 485; burial services, 6; salary, $443.90.

L. R. Townsend—No charge. Sermons, 3; prayer meeting, 1.

W. T. Walters—Charge: First Christian Church of Richmond, Va. Sermons, 104; conversions, 4; baptized, 1; addresses, 15; marriages, 5; members received, 7; pastoral visits, 735; burial services, 3; salary, $3,000.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	SECRETARIES AND ADDRESSES	Number on Roll Last Report	Received Since	Members Lost	Present Membership
Antioch	W. C. Hook	Ben. C. Denver, Harrisonburg, Va.	86	7	2	91
Bethel	R. P. Crumpler	D. F. Dofflemyre, Elkton, Va.			5	65
Bethlehem	A. W. Anders	Miss Ella Pickering, Broadway, Va.	99	9		108
Christian Chapel	D. B. Seal	J. K. Shiflett, Boonesville, Va.		5		78
Concord	A. W. Anders	J. C. Huffman, Timberville, Va.	59	9	2	66
Dry Run	A. W. Anders	Wm. B. Burke, Seven Fountains, Va.	82	6	3	89
East Liberty	R. P. Crumpler	R. D. Dovel, Stanley, Va.	34	8	1	41
High Point	D. B. Seal	John W. Shiflett, Swift Run, Va.	67	12		79
Island Ford	D. B. Seal	Mrs. Ada McDonaldson, Elkton, Va.	124	17		138
Joppa	A. W. Anders	Miss Susie Duncan, Edith, Va.	43	4	1	46
Leakesville	R. P. Crumpler	R. O. Rothgeb, Luray, Va.	150	4	4	150
Linville	W. C. Hook	Miss Sallie A. Payne, Harrisonburg, Va.	105	8	3	110
Mayland	A. W. Anders	Walter A. Spitzer, Broadway, Va.	77			77
Mt. Lebanon	R. P. Crumpler	Isaac N. Comer, Shenandoah, Va.	78	23	2	99
Mt. Olivet (G)	W. C. Hook	E. S. Morris, March, Va.	93		4	89
Mt. Olivet (H)	W. C. Hook	Miss Ethel Lam, Elkton, Va.	67		3	64
New Hope	W. C. Hook	A. P. Linkey, Elkton, Va.	91	1	5	86
Newport	R. P. Crumpler	E. L. Lauderback, Stanley, Va.	149	6	5	144
Palmyra	A. W. Anders	Elmer W. Cook, Edinburg, Va.	106	2	6	102
St. Peters	R. P. Crumpler	Mrs. C. W. McCoy, Elkton, Va.	29	4	4	29
Timber Mount	A. W. Anders	J. H. Park, Capon Bridge, W. Va.	69		17	52
Timber Ridge	A. W. Anders	J. E. Eaton, Trone, Va.	237		14	223
Whistler's Chapel	A. W. Anders	R. L. Ettel, Quicksburg, Va.	44		3	41
Winchester	J. F. Morgan	R. A. Larrick, Winchester, Va.	142	35	3	174
Woods Chapel	A. W. Anders	Isaac Lloyd, Mt. Jackson, Va.	87	11	10	88
Totals			2106	166	97	2320

	Amount Sent to Conference	Paid Pastor	Raised for Church Building	Raised for Church Equipment	For Parsonage	By Sunday School	For Orphanage	By Sunday School for Missions	Christian Endeavor	Other Benevolences	Raised by Auxiliary Societies	Other Purposes	Total Raised	Value of Church Property
Antioch	$ 46 00	$ 250 00				$ 42 24	$ 128 80	$ 20 23		$ 30 00	$ 29 00	$ 46 00	$ 592 27	$ 2,000
Bethel	7 50	35 00		$ 1 80									44 30	800
Bethlehem	142 50	232 00		28 12		93 53	21 37	12 62		18 32	23 19	60 81	631 96	2 000
Christian Chapel	18 00	44 00											62 00	400
Concord	47 00	109 35				31 72				6 43	8 26	37 58	240 34	800
Dry Run	55 00	142 26		48 00		29 21	30 39	21 31		5 00		7 36	347 53	5,000
East Liberty	18 00	31 32											49 32	500
High Point	18 00	120 45				16 02	6 80	2 00		9 61		1 60	174 48	200
Island Ford	18 00	64 10				4 00							86 10	600
Joppa	23 00	40 50					13 03					7 34	83 87	700
Lenkaville	150 30	152 00					35 24	25 44				15 52	378 50	2,500
Linville	37 00	150 00										59 23	346 23	1,500
Mayhurd	54 50	165 91		43 50		56 20	11 00	5 12		5 12	54 00	7 80	400 15	1,500
Mt. Lebanon	46 00	45 31											91 31	1,000
Mt. Olivet (G)	32 00	300 00	$ 400 00			126 72		10 00			51 12		919 84	2,500
Mt. Olivet (R)	11 00					50 00	3 00	4 00				5 00	73 00	650
New Hope	61 45	250 00				41 16	58 50	10 00				22 50	443 70	2,500
Newport	110 00	200 00	78 50			30 00						27 53	446 03	500
Palmyra	40 15	107 57		35 00		250 00	22 40	5 00		10 50		28 28	498 90	1,300
St. Peters	10 00	24 78				11 97							46 75	
Timber Mount	30 00	67 26											97 26	
Timber Ridge	77 60	479 46				61 58	3121	11 79		7 50	40 00	104 16	813 30	6,000
Whistler's Chapel	25 00	75 00				35 00	3 25	82	$ 5 00	7 29		8 00	159 36	
Winchester	150 00	1000 00			$ 699 47	226 56	124 52	122 11	44 55	50 55	376 45	356 81	3061 02	45,000
Woods Chapel	40 00	57 07				9 27	3 00			2 64		12 00	123 98	500
Totals	$1265 00	$4243 34	$ 478 50	$ 156 24	$ 699 47	$1115 18	$ 501 51	$ 249 94	$ 49 55	$ 152 96	$ 582 02	$ 807 61	$ 10211 50	$ 79,750

Sunday School Statistics—Virginia Valley Central Conference.

SCHOOLS	SUPERINTENDENTS	SECRETARIES AND ADDRESSES	No. of Officers and Teachers	Pupils in School	Total Number in Sunday School	Teacher Training Classes	Organized Classes	Does School Use Our Literature
Antioch	Owen W. Andes	Miss Nellie Deavers, Harrisonburg, Va.	7	50	70	.....	2	Yes
Bethel	M. A. Dofflemyre	J. A. May, Elkton, Va	6	50	56	.....	.....	Yes
Bethlehem	D. H. Welch	Miss Mable Lohr, Broadway Va	15	145	160	1	2	Yes
Christian Chapel	J. K. Shiflett	J. M. Via, Boonesville Va	9	64	93	.....	.....	No
Concord	J. C. Huffman	R. L. Smith, Timberville Va	8	83	91	.....	.....	Yes
Dry Run	Wesley G. Ritenour	Miss Alma Boyce, Seven Fountains, Va.	8	61	69	.....	.....	No
East Liberty	J. W. Henderson	E. F. May, Shenandoah, Va	6	50	56	.....	.....	Yes
High Point	Thomas Crawford	John W. Shiflett, Swift Run, Va	8	42	50	.....	.....	Yes
Island Ford	Willie Shiflett	Mary McDonaldson, Island Ford, Va	6	50	56	.....	.....	Yes
Leaksville	K. T. Rothgeb	Miss Lillian Jenkins, Luray, Va	8	82	122	.....	2	Yes
Linville	R. R. Hosaflook	Miss Claire Huffman, Harrisonburg, Va.	13	110	174	.....	.....	Yes
Mayland	E. A. Hillyard	Miss Nina Hillyard, Broadway, Va.	7	46	53	.....	1	Yes
Mt. Lebanon	J. W. Henderson	Miss Mattie Smith, Shenandoah, Va	5	71	80	.....	.....	Yes
Mt. Olivet (G)	J. H. Morris	Elsie Morris, Duke, Va	13	113	134	.....	2	Yes
Mt. Olivet (R)	E. R. Lam	Miss Edna Life, McGaheysville, Va	7	75	75	.....	.....	Yes
New Hope	J. E. Bryant	Miss Laura Estep, Harrisonburg, Va	8	59	88	.....	3	Yes
Newport	E. L. Lauderbach	Mrs. Hazel Alger, Stanley, Va	7	60	67	.....	.....	Yes
Palmyra	J. L. Carper	Miss Margie A. Bowman, Edinburg, Va	8	40	48	.....	2	No
St. Peters	C. W. McCoy	Mrs. C. W. McCoy, Elkton, Va	7	70	77	.....	.....	Yes
Timber Ridge	Walter Brill	Lester Seldon, High View, W. Va	14	81	95	1	.....	Yes
Whistler's Chapel	R. L. Ettel	Ernest Green, Quicksburg, Va.	7	50	57	.....	.....	Yes
Winchester	Nelson F. Richards	Irvine Cather, Winchester, Va	17	193	210	.....	4	Yes
Wood's Chapel	James N. Shiflett	Miss Daisy Shaffer, New Market, Va	7	38	45	.....	1	.....
Totals	.....	.....	201	1683	2026	2	19	

Proceedings of the Twenty-Fifth Annual Session of the Alabama Christian Conference

CRAGFORD, ALA.

OCTOBER 16, 1923.

FIRST DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Conference met and was called to order at 10 o'clock A. M. by Rev. G. D. Hunt, President. After devotional services, conducted by Rev. G. D. Hunt, the following were enrolled:

Ministers—C. M. Dollar, G. D. Hunt, C. W. Carter, J. D. Dollar, J. H. Hughes, J. W. Elder, E. M. Carter, A. H. Sheppard, W. T. Meacham, W. B. Knowles, G. H. Veazey, J. E. Amerson, R. L. Wisener, W. C. Carpenter (by letter).

Churches and Delegates.

Antioch—J. F. Beaird, Z. A. Kitchens.
Beulah—G. W. Walker, Chas. Bailey.
Bethany—A. J. Harry, J. L. Harry, Mrs. J. L. Harry, Mrs. Nettie Harry.
Bryan's Chapel—By letter.
Corinth—C. G. Knight, J. G. Harris, T. L. Gray.
Christiana—Pressley Ingram.
Cragford—C. N. Mitchell, T. N. Swann, J. R. Wilson.
Dingler's Chapel—Victor Bailey, Lesley Cochrel, Miss Ethel Nolen.
Forest Home—R. L. Barfield, N. J. Houze, W. H. Muldrew.
Liberty Grove—E. T. Jean.
Lowell—H. W. Dunson, Mrs. H. W. Dunson, G. W. Faulkner, J. H. Looser.
Macedonia—
McGuire's Chapel—J. W. Patterson, A. J. Railey.
Mt. Zion—A. J. Swann, J. B. Swann, B. E. Stephens, M. L. Jones.
Noonday—Joe French, S. W. Carpenter, H. E. Sikes, Joe McManus, Albert Strain, G. R. Manley.
New Home—Miss Siddie Latham.
New Harmony—John Martin.
New Hope—W. W. Cardwell, T. J. Burton, Dr. J. T. Clack.
Pisgah—J. E. Elder, G. W. Young.
Pleasant Grove—W. T. Hill.
Rock Springs—F. A. Broach.

Rock Stand—J. C. Workman, C. H. Allen, Miss Mable Hughes, A. R. Kirby.
Sand Hill—Not represented.
Spring Hill—L. R. Turner, J. B. Turner, Mrs. Amie Orr.
Shady Grove—J. B. Fetner, M. A. Gillerland.
Wadley—J. J. Carter, W. M. Adamson, Dr. T. H. Denney.
Roanoke—(New Church) J. H. Crisler, V. E. Kitchens.

The following officers were elected:

President—Rev. C. W. Carter.
Vice-President—Rev. J. D. Dollar.
Secretary—Rev. E. M. Carter.
Assistant Secretary—Miss Mabel Hughes.
Treasurer—J. W. Payne.

On motion, the program submitted by the Executive Committee was adopted as order of business for the session.

By motion, the following were invited to seats as deliberative members: Chas. D. Johnston, superintendent of the Christian Orphanage; Prof. P. J. Kernodle, managing editor of *The Christian Sun;* Revs. H. W. Elder and R. A. Whitten, of the Georgia and Alabama Conference; E. B. Atkinson, of Macon, Ga.; Rev. T. N. Denney, of the Baptist Church, and Miss Pattie Coghill, secretary of the mission office.

Rev. R. A. Whitten presented to the Conference a gavel made of a piece of timber of the old Lebanon Church, Surry County, Va. On motion, the Conference, by rising vote, expressed its appreciation of the gavel.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

We have transacted the following business during the year:
First.—We ordained Rev. W. C. Carpenter to the full work of the gospel ministry.
Second.—We have arranged a program for the Conference, and have on hand four hundred copies for distribution.

G. D. HUNT,
Chairman.

Adopted.

After the annual address by Rev. J. H. Hughes, Conference adjourned for dinner.

FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference was called to order by the President. Devotional services were conducted by Rev. M. A. Pollard.

After the Church reports were read, a petitionary letter from the Church at Roanoke was read, and, by motion, the delegates of the new Church were duly seated in the body.

Ministerial reports were read.

On motion, the President appointed the following as a committee on Church statistics: J. J. Carter, J. F. Beaird, Joe French.

REPORT ON MORAL REFORM.

Realizing that evil is abroad in the land and that the Church is the light of the world; therefore, be it resolved:

First, That the entire membership read and practice the teachings of the Bible—our rule of faith and practice.

Second, That we continue our fight against intemperance, and that our members abstain from the use of whiskey, and discourage the use of tobacco, especially among our young people.

Third, That we strictly observe the Sabbath Day.

Fourth, That we stamp our disapproval upon card parties and dancing, immoral pictures and swimming-pools.

Fifth, That every home shall have a family altar.

J. D. DOLLAR,
Chairman.

Adopted.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSION.

Realizing the greatest need of the human family is to know more of the world's greatest Teacher and Missionary, and that He was not confined to any one town, community or country; and that He said ye shall be witnesses for me in the uttermost parts of the earth and that I am with you always, even unto the end of the world; and that He requires no less of you and me than He did of His followers two thousand years ago; we, therefore, recommend:

First, That we study the Bible and other mission literature which may be obtained through our Mission Department.

Second, That our ministers preach as many as one missionary sermon a year to each congregation.

Third, That we consider our pledges for Men and Millians binding, and that we pay same as early as possible.

Fourth, That we raise $150 for foreign missions next year.

G. H. VEAZEY,
Chairman.

Adopted.

The President appointed the following committees:

On Apportionments—V. E. Kitchen, Chas. Bailey, J. W. Payne.

Resolutions—C. M. Dollar, W. W. Cardwell, S. W. Carpenter.

On motion, Pleasant Grove was selected as the place for the next session of Conference.

By motion, Rev. H. W. Elder was asked to preach tomorrow at 11 o'clock, and Rev. J. W. Elder was asked to preach tonight.

Conference adjourned to meet tomorrow morning at 8:30 o'clock.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

OCTOBER 17, 1923.

Conference was called to order at 8:30 by the President. Devotional services were conducted by Rev. J. W. Elder.

Minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

The President appointed the following as a Committee on Nominations: J. W. Elder, G. W. Walker, M. L. Jones.

Revs. G. D. Hunt, G. H. Veazey, E. M. Carter, J. D. Dollar and Dr. J. M. Welch were elected fraternal delegates to the Georgia and Alabama Conference.

By motion, it was decided to make an assessment of $50 for *Annuals.*

TREASURER'S REPORT.

1922.			
Oct.	10.	By balance in treasury	$ 48.76
	11.	From the Churches	125.69
		Special collection for North Alabama work	99.80
		R. L. Barfield, for North Alabama work	5.00
	17.	Dr. J. T. Clack, for North Alabama work	5.00
		Mrs. Resa Clack, for North Alabama work	5.00
		John Sledge, for North Alabama work	5.00
	19.	D. W. Shepherd, from Bethany Church, N. Ala. work	5.00
	24.	A. L. Jennings (Christiana S. S.), for N. Ala. work	5.00
Nov.	22.	J. T. White, for North Alabama work	1.00
Dec.	4.	New Harmony Church, for N. Ala. work	1.25
	8.	Rev. and Mrs. G. D. Hunt, for N. Alabama work	10.00
		Miss Iola Hunt, for North Alabama work	5.00
	12.	Miss Tinie Mae Hunt, for North Alabama work	20.00
	22.	Rev. R. L. Wisner, for North Alabama work	5.00
1923.			
Jan.	23.	Misses Tinie Mae and Iola Hunt, N. Ala. work	10.00
		Mt. Zion Sunday School, for North Alabama work	1.25
	30.	Mrs. Pearl Keeble, for North Alabama work	2.50
Feb.	5.	Southern Christian Con. Board, N. Ala. work	150.00
Apr.	12.	Miss Siddie Latham, for North Alabama work	1.75
	21.	Shady Grove Church, for North Alabama work	2.50
Jun.	24.	Mrs. S. E. Swann, for North Alabama work	1.25
July	8.	Antioch Church, for North Alabama work	5.10
		Shady Grove Church, for North Alabama work	2.50
	16.	Mission Board, S. C. C., for North Alabama work	50.00
Sept.	5.	Mrs. S. E. Swann, for North Alabama work	1.25
	24.	New Hope's Ladies' Socy., North Alabama work	10.00
Oct.	4.	J. J. Carter, for North Alabama work	10.00
	9.	J. W. Payne, for North Alabama work	15.00
		Total	$ 609.10

Disbursements.

1922.			
Oct.	19.	Rev. W. T. Meacham, back salary	$100.00
		Rev. J. D. Dollar, expenses in North Alabama	3.00
Nov.	7.	Rev. J. D. Dollar, transportation to N. Ala	13.45
Dec.	2.	Rev. J. W. Elder, bal. salary for work in N. A	90.00
	4.	Rev. J. D. Dollar, transportation to N. Ala	13.45
1923.			
Jan.	10.	Rev. J. D. Dollar, transportation to N. Ala	13.45
	17.	Rev. E. M. Carter, book for Con. Mis. Board	.80
	26.	Rev. E. M. Carter, postage	.50
Feb.	9.	Rev. J. D. Dollar, transportation to N. Ala	8.23
		Rev. J. D. Dollar, salary for N. Alabama work	50.00
	16.	Miss Tinie Mae Hunt, overpaid for N. Ala. work	5.00
Mar.	24.	Rev. J. D. Dollar, salary for N. Alabama work	50.00

Apr.	3.	J. D. Dollar, transportation to N. Alabama.....	8.26	
	23.	J. D. Dollar, salary for N. Ala. work.....	50.00	
May	9.	J. D. Dollar, transportation to N. Alabama.....	8.26	
	14.	P. J. Kernodle, for "Annuals"	50.00	
June	25.	J. D. Dollar, transportation to N. Alabama.....	8.26	
Aug.	3.	J. D. Dollar, salary	50.00	
	3.	J. D. Dollar, transportation to N. Alabama.....	8.26	
	24.	W. T. Meacham, transportation to N. Alabama..	12.50	
Sept.	11.	J. D. Dollar, transportation to N. Alabama.....	8.26	
Oct.	8.	J. D. Dollar, transportation to N. Alabama.....	9.00	
				560.51
	16.	Balance in treasury		48.59
		Total		$ 609.10

MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION.

Oct.	11, 1922.	Balance in treasury	$ 22.02
		Received from membership fees	19.75
		Total in treasury	$ 41.77

MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

Oct.	11, 1922.	From the Churches	$ 24.84
Feb.	23, 1923.	From War Savings Stamps	100.00
		Total	$ 124.84

Dec.	2, 1922.	Paid to Rev. W. C. Wicker, Treas.....$	24.84	
Apr.	3, 1923.	Paid to Rev. W. C. Wicker, Treas.....	100.00	
				124.84

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Oct.	11, 1922.	From the Churches	$ 75.29
Dec.	2, 1922.	Paid to Rev. W. C. Wicker, Treas.....	75.29

SUPERANNUATE FUND.

Oct.	11, 1922.	From the Churches	$ 49.53
Dec.	2, 1922.	Paid to Rev. W. C. Wicker, Treas.....	49.53

CONFERENCE FUND.

Oct.	11, 1922.	From the Churches		$ 20.22
	10, 1922.	Deficit .....$	21.42	
	11, 1922.	Paid to Rev. E. M. Carter, Cor. Secy.....	10.00	
		Paid to Rev. E. M. Carter, expenses.....	4.00	
		Postage during year	2.00	
				37.42
		Leaving a deficit of		$ 17.20

ELON COLLEGE FUND.

Oct.	11, 1922.	From the Churches	$ 98.64
Dec.	2, 1922.	Paid to Rev. W. C. Wicker, Treas.....	98.64

CONVENTION FUND.

Oct.	11, 1922.	From the Churches	$ 38.46
Dec.	2, 1922.	Paid to Rev. W. C. Wicker, Treas.....	38.46

CONVENTION MISSIONS.

Oct.	11, 1922.	From the Churches	$ 75.23
Dec.	2, 1922.	Paid to Rev. W. C. Wicker, Treas.....	75.23

J. W. PAYNE,
Treasurer.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Your board has held no formal meeting this year, but have kept in touch with each other by correspondence. With the Committee of Christian Endeavor assisting, we held our second annual Sunday School-Christian Endeavor Convention at Rock Stand in April, with splendid success. We wish here to thank the Board of Religious Education of the Southern Christian Convention for sending their much-loved and efficient field secretary, Miss Lucy M. Eldredge, to our assistance in this convention. Miss Eldredge's talks were forceful and much appreciated by our people. Miss Eldredge visited a number of our Sunday Schools and made instructive talks that were well received by our people.

Our Conference covers so much territory that it is impossible to reach all our Sunday Schools with one Convention each year. In our annual Convention this year, we reached about 22 per cent. Your board decided to divide the central portion into three Sunday School districts, each member of the board to look after the interest of one district, and to hold one or more institute in his district. This was done, and we think much good was accomplished thereby. By this system we have reached over 65 per cent.

Our North Alabama and Texas Churches being too far away to be reached by these institutes, we asked Bryant's Chapel and Liberty Grove to hold a rally in August, which they did and reported an excellent meeting. We asked the Pisgah and Sand Hill Churches to each hold a rally, but have had no report from them.

We feel like our Sunday Schools are doing reasonably good work, but the task is so great and the field so inviting that every possible effort should be put forth to strengthen our work. We, therefore, recommend:

1. That our pastors become more active in helping to train leaders for efficient service.
2. That each Sunday School organize and maintain a teacher training class.
3. That each Sunday School stress the importance of missions and evangelization.
4. That each Sunday School stress the importance of better organization and more efficient leadership.
5. That each Sunday School give one offering each month to missions and one to our Orphanage.
6. That we give our Board of Religious Education our hearty co-operation and support.

J. W. PAYNE.
G. H. VEAZEY.
J. J. CARTER.

While the report was pending, a paper was read from Miss Lucy M. Eldredge by Prof. P. J. Kernodle.

It was moved and carried that we hold a Chautauqua at Bethlehem College, and that the Sunday School Board and Christian Endeavor committees confer with like committees of the Georgia and Alabama Conference and the Christian Education Board for co-operation.

The report was adopted.

REPORT OF HOME MISSION BOARD.

Dear Brethren:

We desire to submit our report for the current year on Home Missions. It has been a very trying time on the work this year, but under the blessings of God we have been able to go forward.

Rev. J. D. Dollar has been pastor at Liberty Grove and Bryant's Chapel. Rev. J. W. Elder has served as pastor at Pisgah. They have been reasonably successful in their efforts, and we commend them for their faithful service. Our Board has co-operated witht he Southern Christian Convention Board in

providing for the support of the work, and the Convention Board has agreed to make an appropriation for the work next year.

We, therefore, ask our people to rally to the support of the home mission work in North Alabama, and also that we raise next year for home missions $250, and for Convention missions $150.00.

We again urge our people to become interested in the cause of home missions by securing the labors of some one in the evangelistic work of our Conference, which can be done without any increased cost to the Conference.

We recommend that the Executive Committee be asked to look into this matter, and if possible take steps to carry out the plan. And in addition to the above, we deem it wise for our Home Mission Board to look after our interest in the towns and cities of our State, especially where we have members located.

G. D. HUNT,
Chairman.

During the consideration of the report, the Conference became very much enthused, and there was given in cash $43.00 to put doors and windows in the building at Bryan's Chapel, and there was given in cash and subscriptions $438.85 for the North Alabama Mission.

The report was adopted.

REPORT ON THE COMMITTEE ON APPORTIONMENTS.

We have considered as carefully as time would permit our various financial needs, and recommend that the funds in hand be apportioned as follows:

	Per Cent.
Home missions	18
Foreign missions	12
Ministerial education	10
Superannuated fund	10
Conference fund	7
Convention fund	7
Convention missions	8
Elon College	10
Bethlehem College	18
	100

V. E. KITCHEN.
J. T. CLACK,
J. W. PAYNE.

After preaching, by Rev. H. W. Elder, Conference adjourned for dinner.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON.

Conference was called to order at 1:30. Devotional services were conducted by Rev. C. M. Dollar.

REPORT ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

The fifteenth century witnessed the supreme discovery of all the ages—that of printing by movable type. About this time, Bibles and other books were printed and were spread among the middle classes of Europe; also schools and libraries were founded. The thought of the day was revolutionized. People no longer took ideas second-handed, but began to read and think for themselves; and, even now, those who read most are best informed as to the issues of the day, and those who read the literature of the Church are the most loyal

and faithful to all its needs and demands We are very anxious that we may have more written from our Conference, and especially a "Bethlehem College Letter each week in *The Christian Sun*.

We recommend that we read especially the Bible, and, as nearly as we can, all the papers and books published by our Church.

C. W. CARTER,
Chairman.

To this report was added the following:

Feeling as we do that Christian education cannot go forward without the help of the religious press, and that the circulation of *The Christian Sun* in our Conference is so extremely small; and feeling that a much larger circulation is an imperative necessity, we most earnestly urge that we make a special effort to double the present subscription.

J. J. CARTER.

The report was adopted.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

This is a new era in the educational interest of our work in this section. What other schools have been in their respective localities and denominations, so will be the influence of Bethlehem College. It seems a brighter and better day for our work and the cause of Christian education. The opportunity is brought to our door, and let's make this, "our college," a wonderful success with our support, both in money and patronage. There are fifty pupils enrolled, three ministerial students and two young ladies preparing themselves for missionary work; yet there are prospects for others. Also we, of right, feel congratulated in the building program of Elon College. The destruction by fire of the administration building on the 18th of last January, has won the loyal support of our people, and it is rapidly becoming a "bigger and better" Elon.

We recommend that we give to our colleges every consideration for the good of our young people and the growth of the kingdom.

That, as quickly as possible, we pay our pledges to Men and Millions.

That we request the North Carolina and Virginia Christian Conference to ordain Rev. Jessie H. Dollar to the full work of the gospel ministry, as he is in school at Elon College and his work requires his ordination.

That we heartily approve the efforts of Rev. M. A. Pollard, in school at Elon College, preparing himself for his life-work, and that we continue the licenses of Bros. B. L. Smith, T. J. Emory and L. J. Duke another year.

That E. T. Jean, being a member of the Church at Liberty Grove, be licensed as a probationer to preach the gospel.

That S. R. Waldrop having joined another Church, his name be dropped from our roll.

That we raise $225 for schools and colleges, and $100 for education next year.

E. M. CARTER,
Chairman.

Adopted.

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR.

We regret that we are not able to report any new societies. There were six reported last year, and there are six at the present. However, we are glad to report a growing sentiment in favor of the work. We had an inspiring Convention, held at Rock Stand, in connection with the Sunday School Convention.

We recommend that our pastors take a more enthusiastic stand, if possible, for Christian Endeavor.

J. H. HUGHES,
Chairman.

The Woman's Missionary Board reported a very enthusiastic meeting, and requested that they be given a two-session convention during the next session of the Conference. They report $43.20 collected during the year. Officers for next year are as follows: President, Miss Siddie Latham; Vice-President, Mrs. E. M. Carter; Secretary, Mrs. O. H. Orr; Treasurer, Mrs. Lena Stephens; Superintendent of the Young People's Work, Mrs. M. W. Hook; Superintendent of Literature, Mrs. V. E. Kitchen; Superintendent of Cradle Roll, Mrs. E. M. Hood; Superintendent of Mission Work, Mrs. V. L. Carter.

Superintendent Chas. D. Johnston addressed the Conference in behalf of the Orphanage.

By motion, the Committee on Church Statistics were given more time, and that it be made a standing committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS.

We suggest the following nominations:

Members of the Mission Board—G. D. Hunt, J. J. Carter, V. E. Kitchen, A. R. Kirby.

Delegates to the Southern Christian Convention—Ministers: J. D. Dollar, E. M. Carter; laymen: Dr. T. H. Denney, O. O. Mitchell.

M. L. JONES,
G. W. WALKER,
J. W. ELDER,
Committee.

Rev. G. D. Hunt and V. E. Kitchen were elected members of the Mission Board for two years.

The President appointed standing committees as follows:

Executive—Rev. C. W. Carter, G. D. Hunt, J. D. Dollar.
Education—E. M. Carter, J. M. Hughes, J. D. Dollar.
Literature—Dr. T. H. Denney, A. R. Kirby, A. H. Sheppard.
Moral Reform—J. W. Payne, V. E. Kitchen, J. T. Gibson.
Foreign Mission—Dr. J. M. Welch, W. B. Knowls, O. O. Mitchell.
Sunday School—J. H. Hughes, Joe French, D. W. Shepperd.
Superannuation—G. D. Hunt, C. H. Mitchell, W. T. Meacham.
Christian Endeavor—G. H. Veazey, Miss Tinie Mae Hunt, Miss Iva Hughes.
Mission Board—One year, C. W. Carter, Chairman; Dr. T. H. Denney, D. W. Shepperd; two years, G. D. Hunt, V. E. Kitchen.
Church Statistics—J. J. Carter, W. M. Adamson, G. W. Walker.

On motion, the Secretary was paid $10.00 for his services, and also a bill of $4.76 for postage, report blanks and programs.

RESOLUTIONS.

RESOLVED: *First,* That the thanks are due, and are hereby tendered, the Church, town and community of Cragford for the royal manner in which we have been entertained during the sitting of this body.

Second, That we also wish to thank the fraternal delegates and visitors who have aided in any way in the deliberations of this body.

C. M. DOLLAR,
Chairman.

REPORT ON SUPERANNUATION.

Your Committee on Superannuation has had nothing brought to their attention this year. We will say, however, that Revs. C. M. Dollar and W. R. Knight, also Mrs. B. F. Young, are on the Convention pay roll and have received the amounts provided for them.

C. W. CARTER,
Chairman.

On motion, Conference adjourned to meet with the Church at Pleasant Grove on Tuesday after the second Sunday in October, 1924, at 10 o'clock A. M.

REV. C. W. CARTER, *President.*
REV. E. M. CARTER, *Secretary.*

MINISTERIAL REPORTS.

J. E. Amarson—Macedonia. Sermons, 43; convertions, 2; addresses, 14; prayer meetings, 12; visits, 60; salary, $16.05.

C. W. Carter—Dingler's Chapel, New Home, New Harmony, Spring Hill. Sermons, 102; persons baptized, 1; marriage, 1; prayer meetings, 30; members received, 3; visits, 190; burial services, 3; salary, $291.28.

W. C. Carpenter—No charge. Sermons, 13; addresses, 2; received $4.25.

E. M. Carter—Cragford, Wadley, Corinth, Providence Chapel. Sermons, 107; persons baptized, 11; addresses, 2; marriages, 2; members received, 21; visits, 212; burial services, 5; salary, $750.22.

C. M. Dollar—No charge. Sermons, 6; marriages, 2; burial services, 4.

J. D. Dollar—Mt. Zion, Noon Day, Bryan's Chapel, Liberty Grove. Sermons, 92; persons baptized, 5; addresses, 17; marriages, 2; prayer meetings, 14; members received, 6; visits, 275; burial services, 11; salary, $667.25.

J. W. Elder—Pisgah. Sermons, 28; persons baptized, 7; addresses, 15; marriages, 3; members received, 17; burial services, 3; salary, $138.87.

J. H. Hughes—Rock Stand. Sermons, 42; person baptized, 1; members received, 1; burial services, 3; salary, $110.00.

G. D. Hunt—Antioch, Beulah, New Hope, McGuire's Chapel, Pleasant Grove. Sermons, 106; persons baptized, 18; addresses, 4; prayer meetings, 40; members received, 24; burial services, 22; salary, $771.

W. B. Knowls—Shady Grove. Sermons, 25; convertions, 84; persons baptized, 8; members received, 11; visits, 95; salary, $57.50.

W. T. Meacham—Rock Springs, Lowell. Sermons, 48; persons baptized, 4; members received, 19; visits, 117; burial services, 3; salary, $140.50.

A. H. Sheppard—Bethany, North Highlands. Sermons, 123; persons baptized, 12; marriages, 6; members received, 22; visits, 450; burial services, 4; salary, $567.38.

G. H. Veazey—Christiana, Forest Home. Sermons, 54; baptized, 2; addresses, 9; members received, 3; visits, 100; burial service, 1; salary, $109.

R. L. Wisener—No charge. Sermons, 4; addresses, 40; marriage, 1; prayer meetings, 20.

LICENTIATES.

J. H. Dollar—Morrisville, Ramseur. Sermons, 128; addresses, 3; members received, 40; visits, 60; salary, $420.

L. J. Duke—No charge. Sermons, 64; prayer meetings, 49.

J. T. Emory—No charge. Sermons, 63; prayer meetings, 49.

M. A. Pollard—No charge. Sermons, 22; addresses, 4; received $17.

B. L. Smith—No charge. Sermons, 16; addresses, 5; prayer meetings, 43.

Church Statistics—Alabama Christian Conference.

CHURCH	PASTOR	SECRETARY AND ADDRESS	Reported 1922	Received Since	Reported 1923	Apportionments for 1924	Paid on Conference Apportionments	Paid Pastor	Raised for Benevolences	Raised for Other Purposes	Raised for Church Building	Value of Church Property
Antioch	G. D. Hunt	Rex Day, Roanoke, Ala., R. 1	114	6	106	$ 69.96	$ 61.21	$ 250.00	.....	$ 68.33	.....	$ 1 500
Beulah	G. D. Hunt	J. D. Hall, Wadley, Ala., R. 3	94	8	101	66.66	30.00	110.00	10.00	.....	$ 14.00	2,000
Bethany	A. H. Sheppard	W. J. Harry, Glenn, Ga	46	10	53	34.98	14.00	100.00	.....	45.00	.....	1,500
Bryan's Chapel	W. T. Meacham	Mrs. Pearl Green, Arab, Ala	19	1	20	13.30	10.91	64.09	.....	6.05	190.25	2,000
Corinth	E. M. Carter	J. G. Harris, Wadley, Ala., R. 4	52	2	52	34.32	28.73	75.72	.....	.....	.....	1,500
Christiana	G. H. Veazey	Robert S. Duck, Dadeville, Ala., R. 2	58	.....	39	25.79	14.60	102.00	8.96	16.30	.....	1,500
Cragford	E. M. Carter	Mrs. Forest Mitchell, Cragford, Ala	32	8	40	26.40	17.93	150.00	.....	7.00	92.00	2,500
Dingler's Chapel	C. W. Carter	Victor Bailey, Lineville Ala., R. 1	27	.....	25	16.50	3.00	64.40	.....	6.70	.....	1,000
Forest Home	G. H. Veazey	H. Muldrew, Roanoke, Ala	35	3	58	38.28	16.55	63.90	7.00	8.00	10.00	1 000
Liberty Grove	W. T. Meacham	Mrs. N. E. Carpenter, Cullman, R. 7	19	3	20	13.20	11.00	38.55	.....	10.00	33.05	1,600
Lowell	J. D. Dollar	D. N. Sims, Roanoke, Ala	113	6	113	74.58	10.00	67.55	.....	.....	.....	Union
Macedonia	J. E. Anderson	Willie Strickland, Delta, Ala	67	.....	64	42.24	.....	13.00	.....	3.00	.....	1,000
McGuires Chapel	G. D. Hunt	Jay Railey, Daviston	77	4	76	50.16	8.00	50.00	.....	3.00	75.00	1,000
Mt. Zion	J. D. Dollar	J. B. Swann, Roanoke, Ala., R. 5	174	2	173	114 18	32.25	159.65	.....	45.12	54.00	1,500
Noon Day	E. M Carter	L. H. Huey, Wedowee, Ala., R. 2	123	.....	122	80.52	31.00	100.00	.....	7.31	186.32	700
New Home	.....	C. M. Latham, Delta, Ala	58	.....	25	16.50	1.25	58.98	.....	7.00	12.00	800
New Harmony	C. W. Carter	G. M. McCormick, Lineville, Ala., R.	69	3	70	46.20	25.50	75.25	2.68	14.76	.....	1,800
New Hope	G. D. Hunt	E. C Stevens, Roanoke, Ala., R. 1	189	4	168	110.88	51.25	250.00	.....	30.00	.....	2,000
Pisgah	J. W. Elder	T. M. Hall, Pisgah, Ala	23	18	41	27.06	13.50	38.75	.....	243.50	.....	2,500
Pleasant Grove	G. D. Hunt	W.T. Hill, Buffalo, Ala	85	2	81	53.46	14.50	100.00	6.50	.....	75.00	2,500
Rock Springs	C. W. Carter	Mrs. F. A. Broach, Roanoke, Ala., R.	88	7	95	62.70	9.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,000
Rock Stand	J. D. Dollar	Velma Adcock, Roanoke, Ala., R. 4	85	1	82	54.10	23.90	110.00	.....	.....	.....	1,000
Roanoke	G. D. Hunt	Mrs. E. M. Hood, Roanoke Ala	new	.....	15	10.00	10.00	10.00	.....	3.75	.....	.....
Sand Hill	J. B. Orr	E. H. Orr, Ore City Texas	59	.....	59	38.94	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Spring Hill	C. W. Carter	T. C. Smith, Lineville, R.	54	.....	54	35.64	15.80	71.30	.....	5.00	.....	.....
Shady Grove	C. W. Carter	Lorena Amason, Lineville la	78	11	84	55.44	13.00	45.00	.....	.....	.....	1 500
Wadley	E. M. Carter	C. A. Weldon, Wadley, Ala	69	10	77	50.84	38.00	300.50	17.95	40.00	40.00	2,800
Totals	.....	.....	1907	109	1917	$1,256.05	$496.88	$2,468.64	$ 53.09	$569.82	$781.62	$ 36,200
Total amount raised from all sources	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	$5,046 13	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

NAME OF SCHOOL	SUPERINTENDENT AND ADDRESS	Officers and Teachers	Total Number in in School	General Purposes	Raised by School for Orphanage	Raised by School for Missions	Raised by Auxiliary Societies
Antioch	J. F. Beaird, Roanoke, Ala., R. 1	7	84	$27.50			
Beulah	G. W. Walker, Wadley, Ala, R. 3	9	87	40.00	10.00	7.00	15.00
Bethany	H. N. Owens, Rock Mills, Ala	6	56	15.00			
Corinth	J. C. Harris, Wadley, Ala., R. 4	8	56	10.99	6.04	5.00	
Christiana	Robert S. Duck, Dadeville, Ala., R. 2	6	45	12.20	3.00		2.00
Cragford	C. H. Mitchell, Cragford, Ala	5	45	24.00	12.50	17.50	
Dingler's Chapel	J. G. Waldrop, Lineville, Ala	5	40	12.50			
Forest Home	R. L. Barfield, Roanoke, Ala., R. 2	6	46	18.00			
Liberty Grove	Rev. T. J. Carpenter, Cullman, Ala., R. 7	5	60	7.83	3.29		
Lowell	D. W. Sims, Roanoke, Ala	7	80	36.00			
McGuires Chapel	Jay Railey, Daviston	4	35	10.00			
Mt. Zion	B. E. Stevens, Roanoke, Ala., R. 5	6	62	14.00	15.00		
Noon Day	D. T. Pollard, Wedowee., Ala	12	80	30.00	4.00	4.00	
New Home	T.W. Duke, Delta, Ala., R. 2	6	30				
New Harmony	E. C. DeVaughan, Lineville Ala., R. 3	6	50	10.18	12.58	5.00	
New Hope	E. C. Stevens, Rooanoke, Ala., R. 1	6	70	18.00	20.50		
Pisgah	R. A. Hargrass, Pisgah, Ala	9	159				
Pleasant Grove	Hermon Edge, Buffalo, Ala , R. 2	6	66	10.00			22.00
Rock Springs	F. A. Broach, Roanoke, Ala., R. 5	5	56				
Rock Stand	T. C. Harris, Roanoke, Ala., R. 4	6	80		10.00	10.00	
Roanoke	J. H. Crisler, Roanoke, Ala	5	22	4.80			
Sand Hill		7	40				
Spring Hill	Miss Alma Mitchell, Lineville, R. 1	7	40	14.47	6.00		
Shady Grove	M. A. Gilliland, Lineville, Ala	6	40				
Wadley	M. W. Hook, Wadley, Ala	8	89	38.06	46.48	27.23	5.43
Totals		271	1518	$ 353.53	$ 203.39	$ 75.73	$ 44.43

Proceedings of the Twenty-Fifth Annual Session of the Georgia and Alabama Christian Conference

VANCEVILLE CHURCH, TIFTON, GA.

October 23, 1923.

The Georgia and Alabama Christian Conference met in its Twenty-Fiffth Annual Session, and was called to order by Rev. H. M. Gray, Vice-President, October 23rd, at 7:30 P. M.

Devotional services conducted by Rev. H. M. Gray.

The following ministers and lay delegates were enrolled (including total for session):

Ministers—P. I. Duke, H. W. Elder, H. M. Gray, C. W. Hanson, R. A. Whitten.

Licentiates—W. W. Willingham, A. C. Huckaby, W. H. Brewer, S. D. Lankford.

Churches and Delegates.

Ambrose—Harry Vickers and T. J. Holland.
Beulah—J. F. Posey, Mrs. J. A. Smith, Miss Goldie Smith.
East La Grange—By letter.
Enigma—E. S. Dominy.
Kite—J. S. Stephenson, Mrs. J. S. Stephenson.
La Grange—(First Church) W. H. Smith, M. J. Hallman, R. B. Vinson, Mrs. C. W. Hanson, Mrs. J. L. Spikes, Miss Josie Hallman.
Lanett—G. F. Partridge, J. O. Bolt, H. T. Gray, Alton Mann.
Langdale—By letter.
Oak Grove—By letter.
Providence Chapel—Troy Bishop.
Rose Hill—L. G. Mobley.
Richland—J. H. Abell.
Union—Not represented.
Vanceville—Walker Pearson, E. S. Hand.
Anderson—Not represented.

Organization.

President—Rev. H. M. Gray.
Vice-President—Rev. H. W. Elder.
Secretary—Rev. R. A. Whitten.
Assistant Secretary—J. H. Abell.
Treasurer—H. B. Floyd.

Special Committees.

Press—Prof. P. J. Kernodle.
Preaching—W. W. Willingham, G. F. Partridge.
Resolutions—H. W. Elder, Walker Pearson.
Place of Meeting—R. A. Whitten, W. W. Willingham.

The following, upon motion, were seated as deliberative members: Rev. Geo. D. Hunt, Rev. E. M. Carter, Rev. A. H. Shephard, Rev. G. H. Veasy, Dr. T. H. Denny, chairman of board of trustees of Bethlehem College, and M. W. Hook, president of Bethlehem College, all from Alabama Conference; Prof. P. J. Kernodle, managing editor of *The Christian Sun*, and Miss Pattie Coghill, field secretary Woman's Mission Board of the Southern Christian Convention.

After short speeches by Miss Coghill, Rev. E. W. Carter, Prof. Kernodle, Rev. H. W. Elder delivered the annual address.

R. A. Whitten presented to the Conference a gavel made from a piece of timber taken by Bro. Ollie V. Cockes, of Dendron, Va., from the old Lebanon Church, Surry County, Va., being the first Christian Church. It was here in 1794 thatt he name Christian was adopted, as suggested by Rev. Rice Haggard. The gavel was made by Bro. O. D. Chadwick, Girard, Ala., a deacon of Beulah Christian Church. After short addresses by R. A. Whitten and Prof. P. J. Kernodle, the gavel was accepted, and thanks given for same.

Delegates were assigned homes.

Adjournment.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

OCTOBER 24, 1923.

Conference called to order by President at 9 o'clock.

Devotional service conducted by Rev. A. H. Shephard.

Records of previous session were read and approved.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

At a call meeting of this committee in La Grange, Ga., February 14, 1923, we authorized the ordination of R. A. Whitten, the following ministers acting as the ordaining presberty: Rev. R. F. Brown, Rev. H. W. Elder, and Rev. George D. Hunt, at which time and place said R. A. Whitten was duly ordained, the ceremony being performed at the First Christian Church, La Grange.

Respectfully submitted,
H. M. GRAY.
P. L. DUKE.

Adopted by order of Conference.

REPORT ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

Since the Bible is the Word of God, and our rule of faith and practice, besides the source of all literature, we recommend and heartily urge its daily, careful and prayerful reading in every home.

We find that only a few of our people in this Conference are taking *The Christian Sun*, and we believe that if our folks, that are not already subscribers,

could just know what a valuable and splendid paper it is, and could realize how much help and inspiration it would afford each member of the family, that no home within our bounds would be without its weekly visits.

We, therefore, strongly urge that some one in every home subscribe for it now, and we call attention to the fact that we are not loyal to our Church unless we support our own paper; neither can we be informed of the progress and doings of our Church as a whole unless we read our paper. It is truly the greatest source of learning about our work, and a very effectual means of spreading the gospel of our Lord.

We further recommend that our people subscribe for *The Herald of Gospel Liberty,* the oldest religious publication in the world, and the official organ of the General Christian Convention of the Christian Church.

We further recommend that our ladies subscribe for *The Christian Missionary,* a monthly publication of our own, which will prove a great help in the woman's work of the Church.

We recommend that our people use discretion in the selection of books and periodicals for their homes, and that we give great care and prayerful attention to literature, both books and papers of every kind, that our children shall read. Let us be sure that they will read something, and may we see that they read well, and read things that will strengthen Christian character, for many books and tracts, even under the guise of religious literature, would not only weaken, but destroy, the very foundation of Christian character.

Respectfully submitted,

R. A. WHITTEN.

After addresses by Prof. P. J. Kernodle, Rev. H. M. Gray, Dr. T. H. Denny, the report was adopted.

Reading of Church letters. Upon motion, Hillside Church, La Grange, Ga., reporting a membership of thirty-nine; nothing raised for pastor or other Church purposes—was admitted to Conference.

Reading of ministerial reports.

Resolution presented by H. W. Elder was read, which provided that the money raised by the Conference be appropriated as follows: home missions, 17 per cent; foreign missions, 10 per cent; convention missions, 17 per cent; education, 10 per cent; colleges, 17 per cent; convention fund, 8 per cent; Conference fund, 13 per cent; superannuation, 8 per cent.

The resolution also provided that we raise, this coming year, for Conference assessments, the amount of twelve hundred dollars.

After discussion by Walker Pearson, C. W. Hanson, H. W. Elder and E. M. Carter, the resolution was adopted.

Apportionments for 1924, Georgia and Alabama Conference ($1,200), as follows:

Churches.	Raised This Year.	Assessed for 1924.
Ambrose	$ 57.50	$ 31.02
Beulah	40.00	31.02
Enigma	29.00	41.87
Hillside	.....	30.25
Kite	48.75	29.47
Langdale	.....	48.07
Lanett	130.00	244.90
La Grange, First	104.50	310.00
East La Grange	19.00	41.87
North Highlands	26.25	64.35

Oak Grove	34.00	155.80
Providence Chapel	4.30	46.52
Richland	45.00	24.82
Rose Hill	8.50	31.02
Union	.....	17.07
Vanceville	26.25	51.95
Totals	$573.05	$1,200.00

To be divided as follows:

	Per Cent.
Home missions	17
Foreign missions	10
Convention missions	17
Education	10
Colleges	17
Convention fund	8
Conference fund	13
Superannuation	8

No further business, announcement was made that dinner would be served on the Church grounds, and Conference adjourned to meet at 2 P. M.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference called to order by President H. M. Gray.

Devotionals by Rev. P. L. Duke.

Committee on Place of Meeting reported, recommending Lanett, Ala., as the next place of holding the annual Conference, and upon vote all were unanimous in selecting Lanett Church as a place to hold next annual session.

REPORT OF SUNDAY SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Your board has done but little active work this year, as we failed to hold our 1923 session of the Sunday School and Christian Endeavor Convention. We believe that a Sunday School and Christian Endeavor Convention is an asset toward efficient leadership. We, therefore, recommend that this body take steps to have a convention held some time during the next year, and that each school organize a teacher training class and maintain it through the year, and see that each school is represented at the convention when held.

We recommend that all of our Sunday Schools in this Conference give at least one Sunday of each month's offering to our Orphanage at Elon College.

W. W. WILLINGHAM.
G. F. PARTRIDGE.

For further discussion of above report, see report of call meeting of Sunday School and Christian Endeavor.

Report was adopted.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

A new era is dawning upon our work in the South along the line of education. We rejoice at the wonderful achievements of Elon College in a material way; we stand amazed and look with pride at the success she has achieved. Our work in Georgia and Alabama is to be congratulated on the success that has come to our own Bethlehem College. This college has been the dream to many of us for a number of years. This is one dream that is coming true.

Yes, we have a college at Wadley, Ala. This college is not grown, but, thank God, she has been born and is growing. We ask our people to rally and support our own Bethlehem. We believe that Bethlehem will be a feeder to Elon.

We recommend that the following young men be licensed to preach: Richard B. Vinson, Alton B. Mann, H. T. Gray.

Respectfully submitted,

H. W. ELDER.

Addresses by M. W. Hook, President of Bethlehem College; Dr. T. H. Denny, chairman of board of trustees Bethlehem College; J. S. Stephenson, trustee Bethlehem College; H. W. Elder, E. M. Carter, T. J. Holland, all trustees of Bethlehem College, and G. D. Hunt, financial secretary of the college.

Report was adopted.

REPORT ON MORAL REFORM.

As to the great commission of the Church, we feel, as a part of the Church, that there is much to be done along these lines, and may God speed the time when the Church will put on the whole armor of God and do all that is in her power to stop the evils of our land and country. We have so many evils that are hurtful to the cause of Christ, but we want to put some of them at least on our prayer list, and do all we can to stop them.

First, that we use our influence in electing officers that we entrust with the power to put down the evils of our towns and country, and see that bootlegging is not practiced in our midst, but that we stand behind our officials in enforcing the law. Let us take an active part in supporting them, and help them in the enforcement of law and order, that they might not be cowards on the job, but men that are worth while on the job, looking after the welfare of our land and homes, and that our children may have peace and safety and good influences surrounding them.

That we stand against the things that lead our people away from Church on Sunday, and plead with them to remain at Church and let us give them something that will make them want to stay under the influence of the Church.

That we use our influence against Sabbath desecration of every form whatsoever, and in every way try to check the tide of indifference abroad in our land today.

C. W. HANSON.
W. H. BREWER.

Adopted.

HOM EMISSION REPORT.

Your committee would report the following: Jesus, in explaining the parable of the sower, said the field is the world. For convenience, we use the word home and foreign missions. The home field is where we get the supplies in men and money for the foreign field. If the foreign work is to grow and expand, it is imperative that the home field must also grow. The Christian Church in Georgia and Alabama has had a continual loss by not going to the cities. Take the larger cities of these States and we have hundreds of members from our rural Churches to go, and they have been lost to us—to the Christian Church. We have in the city of Atlanta, Ga., plenty of members to constitute a Church—a large Church--but we have not looked after them. The same is true in other cities. We ought to have Churches in Waycross, Savannah, Macon, Cordele, Fitzgerald, Thomasville, Moultrie, Douglas, Dawson, and Albany; in fact, we have many members in all these towns, besides many other points in Georgia. There are two outstanding needs—men and money. We must enter the cities as fast as we can to stop this leakage in our work. We nced a larger faith, so we would not be afraid to undertake a larger task for developing the Church.

We, therefore, recommend that we elect a Home Mission Board of three members—one for one year, one for two years, and one for three years. The President of the Conference to be an ex officio member of the board. That this board be empowered to look after the mission interest of the Conference and report annually their doings.

H. W. ELDER.

Addresses by H. W. Elder, P. L. Duke, H. M. Gray.

Report adopted.

The following were elected as members of Home Mission Board: Rev. H. W. Elder, chairman; Walker Pearson, two years, and Rev. C. W. Hanson, one year.

The following made pledges for our home mission work: R. A. Whitten, $10; G. D. Hunt, $5; Walker Pearson, $10; W. W. Willingham, $5; J. S. Stephenson, $5; T. J. Holland, $5; M. J. Hallman, $5; Mrs. Walker Pearson, $5; H. W. Elder, $10; C. W. Hanson, $25.

Upon motion, R. A. Whitten was elected as special representative of the Home Mission Board to solicit funds for the home mission work, and that he be allowed expense incurred on account of that work.

Report on superannuation, by T. J. Holland and S. D. Lankford, as follows:

REPORT ON SUPERANNUATION.

Your committee has had nothing to come before it this year, and we do not know of any superannuate in our Conference.

T. J. HOLLAND.
S. D. LANKFORD.

Since the President and Secretary had left our work, and failed to provide some one to succeed them or take care of the work, Miss Pattie Coghill, field secretary Woman's Board of the Southern Christian Convention, reported the following names as officers for the ensuing year, and they were duly elected: Mrs. J. H. Abell, President, Richland, Ga.; Mrs. W. H. Dennard, Vice-President, Enigma, Ga.; Mrs. W. A. Hand, Corresponding Secretary, Tifton, Ga.; Mrs. J. S. Stephenson, Treasurer, Kite, Ga.; Miss Ina Gray, Superintendent of Young People's Work, Lanett, Ala.

The following report was submitted:

As superintendent of young people's work of this Conference, I beg to submit the following:

I have written numerous letters and sent little booklets, "How to Begin and Carry on a Young People's Society," which I received from Dr. Atkinson, to various Churches of this Conference, and have written them regarding organization of young people's societies.

I have heard from only three of these, two of which say that they do not have enough young people to organize, which I know is true in some cases. I trust that all that may have started a society.

I am afraid that we, as a whole, do not stress missions enough in our Churches, and we feel that the only way to make the mission spirit grow as it should is to enlist our young people in the work.

Therefore, I recommend first that we, as individual Churches, get the complete co-operation of our pastors, and together undertake this organization, if there is any available material.

Second, that where we cannot have this organization that we strengthen our Christian Endeavor, and have a good missionary committee that we might get in the mission work along with the C. E. Society.

If there is any Churches without either a young people's missionary society or Christian Endeavor, that, by all means, we, if possible, organize a C. E. Society, with a good missionary committee.

Our goal for this year was $100 and ten societies, and I am very sorry that we are so short of this goal. I trust that there will be other societies that will be heard from later, from which I have not heard. Mrs. J. B. Hammond, of Enigma, Ga., writes that they have a good society there, of which we are all very proud. I hand you herewith her check for dues from her society, $13.29.

Respectfully submitted,

MISS AYLMER GOODWIN,
Superintendent Young People's Work.

Report adopted.

Adjournment.

SECOND DAY—EVENING SESSION.

The Missionary Association of the Georgia and Alabama Conference was called to order by President Rev. H. W. Elder at 7:30 P. M., and after devotional services by Rev. W. W. Willingham, roll was called and payment of dues made. Received last session, $80.10; collected this session, $60.45—total cash on hand, $140.55.

Upon motion of Rev. E. M. Carter, the sum of $80 was donated to Lanett Christian Church on their new building fund, and upon motion of Rev. C. W. Hanson, the sum of $60 was paid to R. A. Whitten for pastoral work at East La Grange Christian Church, leaving a balance in the treasury of fifty-five cents.

The following were elected: Rev. H. W. Elder, President; R. A. Whitten, Secretary and Treasurer.

The above officers were elected as Executive Committee of the Association.

Adjournment to meet with next annual session of Conference at Lanett Christian Church, Lanett, Ala.

THIRD DAY—MORNING SESSION.

OCTOBER 25, 1923.

Conference called to order by President Rev. H. M. Gray. Devotionals by Rev. A. C. Huckaby.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Missions is the key-word for the saving of the world. Truly, the spirit and thought of missions should be carried into every department of our Church work. Our Saviour's mission to the world should convince us that He was the world's greatest missionary, and after He had worked out His program for missions, He turned it over to His followers and told them to carry it to the uttermost parts of the earth, even to every creature (Mark 16:15). We believe in obeying Jesus, the great Master and Teacher and head of the Church. We

ought to start at home, according to Acts 1:8, and carry the message to our neighbors around us, and then carry it around and around until we have carried the message to all nations, just as fast as we can do the work. We believe that we, the Church, should carry on this good mission work until Jesus comes, and then He will finish the work and give us the earth and the heathens for an inheritance. We believe that we should pray the prayer that Jesus taught His disciples to pray until that prayer is answered; then His will be done on earth as it is done in heaven, and then we shall enjoy the sweetness of His grace, because all nations will call Him blessed. May we all be faithful to the work that He has given us to do. Let us give our time, our talents and money and our all to the work, for that is our business here in this life. We are on business for the King of glory, Jesus Christ, who is King of kings and Lord of lords, and He will come and reward us according to our works. May He find us working for Him when He comes, for He has said, surely I come quickly. Amen, even so come Lord Jesus.

H. M. GRAY,
C. W. HANSON.
C. E. SHORT.

Report was adopted.

REPORT ON RESOLUTIONS.

Resolved, That this body, by rising vote, extend to the Vanceville Church and community their hearty thanks for their unstinted hospitality during the sitting of this body.

That we extend to the fraternal representatives our thanks for their counsel and help during the sitting of this body.

H. W. ELDER.

Adopted.

Upon motion, the following bills were ordered paid: balance on *Annuals,* $35; postage, 90c; supply house, 72c; printing programs, $4.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Home Missions.

On hand last session		$ 359.05
Paid out since:		
Rev. H. W. Elder	$175.00	
H. B. Floyd	6.00	
Rev. H. M. Gray	175.00	
		356.00
Balance in treasury		$ 3.05

Foreign Missions.

On hand last session		$ 76.05
Paid out since:		
H. B. Floyd	$ 4.00	
W. C. Wicker	72.45	
		76.45
Deficit		$ .40

Convention Missions.

On hand last session		$ 96.35
Paid out since:		
H. B. Floyd	$ 6.00	
W. C. Wicker	90.35	
		96.35

Convention Fund.

On hand last session		$ 53.40
Paid out since:		
H. B. Floyd	$ 2.00	
W. C. Wicker	51.40	
		53.40

Conference Fund.

On hand last session		$ 56.80
Paid out since:		
H. B. Floyd	$ 10.19	
H. F. Brown, bills	13.25	
Secretary's service	10.00	
R. F. Brown, stationery	4.15	
R. A. Whitten, mailing "Annuals"	2.69	
J. P. Barrett, on "Annuals"	15.00	
		55.38
Balance in treasury		$ 1.42

Elon College Fund.

On hand last session		$ 59.70
Paid out since:		
H. B. Floyd	$ 2.00	
W. C. Wicker	57.70	
		59.70

Ministerial Educational Fund.

On hand last session		$ 133.78
Paid out since:		
H. B. Floyd		2.00
Balance in treasury		$ 131.78

Superannuated Fund.

On hand last session		$ 150.68
Paid out since:		
H. B. Floyd		2.00
Balance in treasury		$ 148.68
Special home missions in treasury		$ 12.13
Carried forward in treasury		297.16
Collected this session		564.55

Divided as follows:

	Per Cent.	
Home missions	17	$ 95.99
Foreign missions	10	56.45
Convention missions	17	95.97
Education fund	10	56.45
College fund	17	95.97
Convention fund	8	45.66
Conference fund	13	73.39
Superannuated fund	8	45.16
Total		$564.55

H. B. FLOYD,
Treasurer.

Adopted.

Delegates to Southern Christian Convention: Rev. H. W. Elder, Rev. C. W. Hanson, J. S. Stephenson, Walker Pearson, G. F. Partridge.

Upon motion, Conference ordered that the proceedings be printed in *Annual,* as last year, and that we get 100 copies; and, upon motion, it was ordered that each Church in the Conference collect and remit to Treasurer, H. B. Floyd, 25 cents for each copy of the *Annual* received, and as early as possible after delivery of same to them.

Upon motion, the Secretary was ordered paid $15 for his services as Secretary.

Report of Sunday School work was again brought up, and a paper submitted by Prof. P. J. Kernodle, managing editor of *The Christian Sun,* from Miss Lucy Eldredge, field secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION.

To the Sunday Schools and Christian Endeavors of Georgia and Alabama Conference, in session Vanceville, October 23-24-25, 1923:

Because I regret that it is impossible for me to meet with you this year, may I extend this word of greeting to all of you, who have been such an inspiration in our work. For myself and the Board of Religious Education, I express appreciation for your good work, and best wishes for the continuance of progress along Sunday School and Christian Endeavor lines. A good Sunday School in every Church is a necessity, and more and more our Christian Churches are coming to see the great value of linking with that Sunday School a Christian Endeavor Society which will bring spiritual strength and training in Christian service to our young people. The children and youth of every Conference are too precious possessions to neglect. They are our future leaders in Church, as well as in the nation, and so the future depends very much upon how they are trained. That they grow up with Christian ideals and with a love for Jesus Christ in their hearts which will guide their daily actions, should be our supreme aim as Sunday School teachers or as parents in the home, or as workers with boys and girls through every channel.

Throughout all the work of the Church, the need of leaders who are consecrated, faithful and trained is very great. As the secretary of your Board of Religious Education, may I urge that every Sunday School and Christian Endeavor worker take advantage of every opportunity possible, to come to know better how to do the great work for which we are responsible. Teacher-training classes in the local Churches are helping meet this need. Institutes with groups of Churches, as held in the Alabama Conference this past year, give an opportunity for inspiration and interchange of ideas which is most helpful. Those who attended your Sunday School Convention in 1922, I am sure will testify that it brought messages which were instructive and inspiring.

We hope that some methods may be found by which this may be a permanent feature of your work. The Chautauqua and School of Methods, held at Elon College, has been very effective, and your representatives would be most welcome there. A similar assembly at Bethlehem College has been suggested, and it is hoped may be held in the near future, which would offer to Sunday School teachers and Christian workers and pastors an opportunity to come together for a week each year to really study with competent teachers the work they are now striving so earnestly to do. This would mean better Sunday Schools, and more active Christian Endeavor societies, which would lead to Churches winning men and women and boys and girls, not only to membership in the Church, but really and truly to Jesus Christ, and this is the supreme goal of all our work.

In any work which you plan to do, the Board of Religious Education stands ready to co-operate to the fullest extent possible. The board, through its field secretary, is your servant. Its services are yours for local Churches, or Conference work, to help in every way possible. Working together, may the coming year be made the best of all in our history as a Christian Church in Georgia.

With best wishes and kindest regards to the friends who have been so kind to me on my two visits to your Conference,

Sincerely,

LUCY M. ELDREDGE,
Field Secretary.

Upon motion, thanks were extended Miss Eldredge, field secretary, for her interest and offer of assistance as outlined in the above, and for the much-valued paper.

In the interest of work along these lines, as stated, those speaking were Prof. P. J. Kernodle, Rev. E. M. Carter, Miss Pattie Coghill; and, upon motion, a committee was appointed to co-operate with a like committee of the Alabama Conference, and the Board of Religious Education regarding having a Chautauqua at Bethlehem College, Wadley, Ala., this coming year, as follows: R. A. Whitten, G. F. Partridge, C. W. Hanson.

Standing committees were named as follows:

Executive—H. M. Gray, C. W. Hanson, P. L. Duke.
Education—H. M. Gray, H. W. Elder, C. W. Hanson.
Foreign Missions—P. L. Duke, S. D. Lankford.
Sunday Schools—J. S. Stephenson, W. W. Willingham, G. F. Partridge.
Christian Endeavor—Miss Susie Elder.
Moral Reform—W. H. Brewer, A. B. Mann.
Religious Literature—A. C. Huckaby, Talmadge Gray.
Superannuation—T. J. Holland, S. D. Lankford.

Our Orphanage work was presented by Rev. H. W. Elder and Rev. E. M. Carter.

The following candidates were licensed to preach: A. B. Mann, H. T. Gray, and R. B. Vinson. Ministers in charge: Rev. H. M. Gray, the charge; Rev. E. M. Carter, song; Rev. H. W. Elder, prayer.

Rev. S. D. Lankford made a short speech in behalf of Bethlehem College.

After kind, helpful and inspiring words by many, and the reading of the records, which were approved, Conference adjourned to meet in next annual session Tuesday evening following the third Sunday in October, 1924, with Lanett Christian Church, Lanett, Ala.

H. M. GRAY, *President.*
Lanett, Ala.

R. A. WHITTEN, *Secretary.*
Columbus, Ga.

MINISTERIAL REPORTS.

P. L. Duke—Charge: Beulah and East La Grange. Sermons, 132; lectures and addresses, 7; marriages, 4; prayer meetings, 42; members received, 13; pastoral visits, 100; burial services, 7; salary, $617.85.

Rev. H. W. Elder—Charge: Richland, Union, Ambrose, Kite, Enigma and Vanceville. Sermons preached, 233; convertions, about 40; persons baptized, 20; marriages, 4; prayer meetings held, 40; burial services, 4; salary, $1,107.26.

Rev. H. M. Gray—Charge: Lanett, Langdale and Oak Grove. Sermons, 175; convertions, 20; baptized, 16; lectures, 20; marriages, 2; prayer meetings held, 30; members received, 48; pastoral visits, 200; burial services, 16; salary received, $1,591.83.

Rev. C. W. Hanson—Charge: La Grange, First and Hillside. Sermons preached, 228; convertions, 25; baptized, 15; lectures, 25; marriages, 32; prayer meetings held, 40; members received, 80; pastoral visits, 290; burial services, 24; salary received, $2,672.43.

Rev. R. A. Whitten—Charge: Rose Hill. Sermons, 103; convertions, 3; baptized, 3; address, 1; marriages, 2; prayer meetings held, 17; members received, 12; pastoral visits, about 400; burial services, 2; salary received, $1,200 and parsonage.

LICENTIATES.

W. T. Crowder—Sermons, 30; lectures, 2; prayer meetings, 12.

S. D. Lankford—Sermons, 20; prayer meetings, 7; visits, 17.

L. E. Oliver—Sermons, 18; prayer meetings, 21.

W. H. Brewer—Sermons, 19; prayer meetings, 8; visits, 8; burial services, 2.

A. C. Huckaby—Sermons, 19; prayer meetings, 3; visits, 10.

W. W. Willingham—Sermons, 24; lectures, 8; prayer meetings, 10; member received, 1; pastoral visits, 50.

Ellis J. Easterwood—Sermons, 10; lectures, 12; prayer meetings, 6.

C. L. Reese—Sermons, 25; lectures, 12; prayer meetings, 50.

W. D. Wilkerson—Sermons, 20; prayer meetings, 16; pastoral visits, 125; salary received, $23.75.

H. H. Toney—Sermons, 30; prayer meetings, 42.

Church Statistics—Georgia and Alabama Conference.

CHURCH	PASTOR	NAME AND ADDRESS OF SECRETARY	Reported Last Session	Present Membership	Paid Pastor	Total Amount Raised	Value of Church Property
Ambrose	H. W. Elder	C. D. Boggan, Ambrose, Ga	42	40	$ 271.60	$ 486.81	$ 6000.00
Beulah	P. L. Duke	Mrs. Jettie Gallman, Phenix City Ala	66	40	472.85	618.95	2000.00
Enigma	H. W. Elder	E. S. Dominy, Enigma, Ga	54	54	136.50	226.00	1000.00
Hillside	C. W. Hanson	J. O. Brooks, LaGrange, Ga		39			2500.00
Kite	H. W. Elder	G. M. Knight, Kite, Ga	30	39	234.95	393.23	1500.00
LaGrange, First	C. W. Hanson	W. H. Abott, 810 Elm St., LaGrange, Ga	345	400	796.56	901.56	5000.00
East LaGrange	P. L. Duke	G. W. Hamrick, LaGrange, Ga	139	54	155.00	600.30	5000.00
Langdale	H. M. Gray	T. W. Gray, Fairfax, Ala	48	62	216.00	216.00	
Lanett	H. M. Gray	Arthur L. Cox, Lanett, Ala	302	316	1175.45	11859.81	17500. 00
North Highland	A. H. Sheppard	R. F. Wilkinson, 2906 Second Ave., Columbus, Ga	76	83	470.35	553.60	2500.00
Oak Grove	H. M. Gray	H. B. Floyd, Chipley, Ga	204	201	200.38	234.38	4000.00
Providence Chapel	E. M. Carter	Troy Bishop, Richland, Ga	60	60	204.46	220.76	500.00
Rose Hill	R. A. Whitten	Mrs. F. R. Purcell, 1020 32nd St. Columbus, Ga	69	40	352.85	1003.38	13500.00
Richland	H. W. Elder	J. R. Godfrey, Richland, Ga	33	32	144.00	189.00	30000.00
Union		Miss Mary J. Holloman, Richland, Ga					
Vanceville	H. W. Elder	W A. Hand, Tifton,Ga., R. F. D.	49	67	157.50	193.97	2500.00
Totals			1552	1527	4988.45	17727.69	$ 93500.00

Sunday School Statistics—Georgia and Alabama Conference.

SUNDAY SCHOOL	SUPERINTENDENT AND ADDRESS	SECRETARY AND ADDRESS	Number of Officers and Teachers	Number in Whole School	Total Amount Raised
Ambrose	T. J. Holland, Ambrose, Ga.	C. D. Boggan, Ambrose, Ga.	5	30	$ 71.14
Beulah	W. O. Parker, Phoenix City, Ala.	E. C. Bankston, Girard, Ala., R. 1	11	109	88.11
Enigma	L. D. Abell, Enigma, Ga.	E. S. Dominy, Enigma, Ga.	10	65	23.00
Hillside	R. L. Whatley, LaGrange, Ga.	Lee Finch, LaGrange, Ga.	7	75	.....
Kite	J. S. Stephenson, Kite, Ga.	Ovid Stephenson, Kite, Ga.	7	83	32.79
LaGrange, First	Roy Whaley, LaGrange, Ga.	M. L. Mathews, LaGrange, Ga.	7	185	242.90
Lanett	J. O. Bolt, Lanett, Ala.	A. L. Cox, Lanett, Ala.	11	210	371.45
East LaGrange	W. L. Jarrell, LaGrange, Ga.	G. W. Hamrick, LaGrange, Ga.	7	48	70.00
North Highland	W. W. Willingham, Phoenix City, Ala.	Gertrude Rainey, 2904 2nd Ave., Columbus, Ga.	11	120	104.33
Oak Grove	J. T. Prophet, Chipley, Ga.	Ruth Floyd, Chipley, Ga.	6	70	.....
Richland	D. S. Hogg, Richland, Ga.	J. H. Abell, Richland, Ga.	3	20	43.00
Rose Hill	Walter Denson, Columbus, Ga.	Alma Goodwin, Columbus, Ga.	11	57	125.58
Vanceville	W. A. Hand, Tifton, Ga.	W. S. Laney, Tifton, Ga., R. 5	9	63	60.32
Totals	.....	.....	105	1135	$ 1232.62

Proceedings of the One Hundred and Third Annual Session of the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference

HOLLAND CHRISTIAN CHURCH, HOLLAND, VA.

OCTOBER 30 TO NOVEMBER 1, 1923.

FIRST DAY—FORENOON SESSION.

The Eastern Virginia Christian Conference met in its One Hundred and Third Annual Session, and was called to order at 10:30 o'clock by Dr. W. D. Harward, President.

Song service led by Mr. W. H. Baker. Prayer led by Dr. W. T. Walters. Devotions conducted by Dr. R. C. Helfenstein. Subject: "The Need and the Benefit of Intercessory Prayer." Solo, "Pray for Me," by Rev. Herman C. Taylor.

Enrollment of delegates and ministers as follows:

Ministers—Revs. W. W. Staley, J. P. Barrett, H. H. Butler, J. M. Roberts, J. H. Lightbourne, C. H. Rowland, J. L. Foster, I. W. Johnson, B. F. Black, A. R. Flowers, G. D. Eastes, W. L. Wells, W. H. Garman, W. D. Harward, B. J. Earp, L. L. Lassiter, W. H. Denison, R. C. Helfenstein, O. D. Poythress, L. E. Smith, H. S. Hardcastle, W. B. Fuller.

Churches and Delegates.

Antioch—J. W. Bradshaw, R. H. Barrett, W. E. Garrison.
Burton's Grove—M. H. Hargrove, E. W. Carroll.
Bethlehem—W. B. Byrd, C. F. Savage, Mrs. J. E. Harris.
Berea, Nansemond—G. Brinkley, G. T. Rawles, P. S. Blandford, A. S. Hargroves.
Berea, Norfolk—Mrs. Bert L. Eason, W. F. Hodges, Miss Lucy Hall.
Barrett's—Mrs. Cora L. Pond, Lester Cornwell.
Cypress Chapel—A. J. Rountree, V. B. Harrell, J. T. Rountree.
Christian Temple—A. M. Johnson, A. B. Jarvis, Mrs. A. B. Jarvis, Mrs. F. N. Nelson.
Centerville—
Damascus—J. E. Corbitt, J. S. Pierce, Mrs. M. E. Pierce.
Dendron—E. T. Atkinson, Mrs. E. T. Atkinson.
Eure—W. M. Harrell, W. J. Askew, Dewey Eure.
Elm Avenue—Mrs. C. H. Coles, Mrs. W. O. Daughtridge.
First, Norfolk—Mrs. E. T. Jones, Mrs. B. F. Morgan, J. O. Wiggs, Mrs. G. H. Lewis.
Franklin—L. R. Jones, J. E. Lawrence, W. H. Norfleet, Mrs. W. J. M. Holland.
Hobson—

Holland—R. H. Riedel, Dr. Job G. Holland, R. E. Hedgepeth, P. C. Holland, Sr.
Holy Neck—A. L. Jolly, B. D. Jones, Miss Lillie Holland, Mrs. J. T. Rawles.
Isle of Wight—J. M. Roberts, M. T. Whitley.
Ivor—C. E. Joyner.
Johnson's Grove—M. H. Doyle, J. W. Bradshaw.
Liberty Spring—C. E. Byrd, J. S. Peel, I. T. Byrd, V. E. Rawles.
Mt. Zion, Mt. Carmel—E. W. Ballard, S. A. Barrett.
New Lebanon—Ollie V. Cockes, N. H. Savedge.
Newport News—C. D. West, W. H. Baker, Mrs. W. H. Baker.
Ocean View—
Oak Grove—
Old Zion—Mrs. W. W. Williford, Mrs. Hettie Newcomb, Mrs. W. H. Garman, Dr. L. L. Eley, W. K. Wagner.
First, Portsmouth—J. F. Brothers, Mrs. C. F. Rudd, C. J. Heath, Mrs. O. C. Hartung.
People's, Dover—H. C. Taylor, J. S. Collins, Mrs. Mary Lasher, Mrs. R. C. Helfenstein.
Rosemont—H. L. Bondurant, Mrs. W. H. Drewry.
Richmond—P. J. Kernodle, Miss Lucy Eldredge.
St. Luke's—
Spring Hill—C. C. Richardson.
Sarem—D. S. Harrell, J. R. Langston.
Suffolk—E. E. Holland, J. E. West, A. T. Holland, C. A. Shoop.
South Norfolk—Miss Gladys Hanbury, Miss Mabel Humphries, Mrs. Z. P. Roberts.
Union, Surry—
Union, Southampton—B. Drake.
Waverly—J. W. West, J. F. West, J. F. West, Jr.
Wakefield—J. H. Harris.
Windsor—J. W. Roberts, Mrs. M. S. Persons.

The report of the Executive Committee was read, and, on motion, adopted as follows:

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Your committee accepted the resignation of Rev. W. M. Jay, D. D., President, and upon his request granted him a letter of transfer to unite with the Rays Hill and Southern Pennsylvania Conference.

Rev. W. D. Harward, D. D., was elected President, and became ex officio chairman of this committee.

W. D. HARWARD.
L. E. SMITH.
I. W. JOHNSON.

The Conference, by rising vote, expressed its regret at the removal of Dr. W. M. Jay from our midst.

President's address, "Kingdom Progress," by Dr. W. D. Harward.

On motion, Dr. W. A. Harper, President Elon College, and Revs.

J. O. Atkinson, N. G. Newman, W. T. Walters, John G. Truitt, and H. S. Hardcastle were invited to seats as visiting brethren.

On motion, the program was adopted as submitted, subject to such changes as may be made by Conference.

Report of the Treasurer was read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

REPORT OF TREASURER.

Convention Mission Fund.

1922.				
Oct. 31.	Balance reported		$ 82.65	
Nov. 24.	Conference collection		1,137.94	
1923.				
Apr. 16.	Mt. Zion Church		15.00	
			$1,235.59	
1922.				
Dec. 14.	Paid Secretary's draft		1,220.59	
1923.				
Oct. 31.	Balance on hand			$ 15.00

Convention Fund.

1922.				
Oct. 31.	Balance reported		$ 49.20	
Nov. 24.	Conference collection		758.62	
1923.				
Apr. 16.	Mt. Zion Church		10.00	
			$ 817.82	
1922.				
Dec. 14.	Paid Secretary's draft		807.82	
1923.				
Oct. 31.	Balance on hand			10.00

Conference Fund.

1922.				
Oct. 31.	Balance reported		$ 62.24	
Nov. 24.	Conference collection		379.32	
1923.				
Apr. 16.	Mt. Zion Church		5.00	
			$ 446.56	
1922.				
Nov. 24.	Paid Secretary's draft	$ 28.75		
Dec. 1.	Paid Secretary's draft	9.50		
Dec. 13.	Paid Secretary's draft	2.50		
Dec. 18.	Paid Secretary's draft	2.25		
1923.				
Apr. 27.	Paid Secretary's draft	300.00		
			343.00	
Oct. 31.	Balance on hand			103.56

Educational Fund.

1922.				
Oct. 31.	Balance reported		$1,660.63	
Nov. 24.	Conference collection		379.32	
1923.				
Apr. 16.	Mt. Zion Church		5.00	
May 5.	Elon College coupons		120.00	

Sept. 21.	Elon College coupons	120.00	
		$2,284.95	
Jan. 16.	Paid Secretary's draft	200.00	
Oct. 31.	Balance on hand		2,084.95

Elon College Fund.

1922.			
Oct. 31.	Balance reported	$ 109.70	
Nov. 24.	Conference collection	1,517.25	
1923.			
Apr. 16.	Mt. Zion Church	20.00	
		$1,646.95	
1922.			
Dec. 14.	Paid Secretary's draft	1,626.95	
1923.			
Oct. 31.	Balance on hand		20.00

Foreign Mission Fund.

1922.			
Oct. 31.	Balance reported	$ 569.02	
Nov. 24.	Conference collection	1,517.25	
1923.			
Apr. 16.	Mt. Zion Church	20.00	
		$2,106.27	
1922.			
Dec. 14.	Paid Secretary's draft	2,086.27	
1923.			
Oct. 31.	Balance on hand		20.00

Home Mission Fund.

1922.			
Oct. 31.	Balance reported	$ 583.25	
Nov. 24.	Conference collection	1,517.25	
1923.			
Apr. 16.	Mt. Zion Church	20.00	
1922.		$2,120.50	
Nov. 24.	Paid Secretary's draft	$ 300.00	
Dec. 7.	Paid Secretary's draft	1,000.00	
1923.			
Apr. 26.	Paid Secretary's draft	500.00	
May 23.	Paid Secretary's draft	200.00	
		2,000.00	
Oct. 31.	Balance on hand		120.50

Superannuated Fund.

1922.			
Oct. 31.	Balance reported	$ 24.30	
Nov. 24.	Conference collection	379.32	
1923.			
Apr. 16.	Mt. Zion Church	5.00	
		$ 408.62	
1922.			
Dec. 14.	Paid Secretary's draft	343.62	
1923.			
Oct. 31.	Balance on hand		65.00

Recapitulation.

Funds.	Bal. 1922.	Receipts.	Disbursed.	Bal. 1923.
Convention Mission	$ 82.65	$1,152.94	$1,220.59	$ 15.00
Convention	49.20	768.62	807.82	10.00
Conference	62.24	384.32	343.00	103.56
Educational	1,660.63	624.32	200.00	2,084.95
Elon College	109.70	1,537.25	1,626.95	20.00
Foreign missions	569.02	1,537.25	2,086.27	20.00
Home missions	583.25	1,537.25	2,000.00	120.50
Superannuated	24.30	384.32	343.62	65.00
Totals	$3,140.99	$7,926.27	$8,628.25	$2,439.01

Proof:

Balance October 31, 1922		$ 3,140.99
Total receipts		7,926.27
		$11,067.26
Disbursed	$8,628.25	
Balances October, 1923	2,439.01	
		11,067.26

Schedule—Bonds and Bills Receivable.

Elon College bonds—in educational fund		$4,000.00
Individual notes:		
C. J. Felton	$290.00	
C. W. Rountree	400.00	
J. W. Barrett	365.00	
J. Cleveland Barrett	270.00	
E. T. Cotten	300.00	
		1,625.00
Total		$5,625.00

Suffolk, Va., October 31, 1923.

Pass-book, vouchers and above-listed securities have been exhibited to the Conference Secretary and are held in the vault of the Farmers' Bank of Nansemond, Suffolk, Va., subject to the order of the Conference.

Respectfully submitted,

H. WOODWARD,
Treasurer.

Suffolk, Va., October 31, 1923.

At the request of Mr. H. Woodward, Treasurer Eastern Virginia Christian Conference, I beg to hereby certify that he has on deposit in the Farmers' Bank of Nansemond, Suffolk, Va., the balances as shown by this report to the credit of the several funds—total, $2,439.01. He has also exhibited to me $4,000 in Elon College bonds.

(Signed in duplicate.)

J. L. LITTLE,
Auditor Farmers' Bank of Nansemond.

Communion service conducted by Dr. C. H. Rowland, assisted by Dr. I. W. Johnson.

Dr. L. E. Smith led in a prayer of thanksgiving for the recovery of Dr. W. W. Staley from a recent illness.

Adjourned for dinner. Benediction by Dr. N. G. Newman.

FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference met at 2 o'clock. Song service conducted by W. H. Baker. Devotions led by Rev. T. E. White, Windsor, Va.

President announced the following special committees for this session:

Finance—R. B. Odom, J. S. Collins, R. C. Norfleet.
Resolutions—R. C. Helfenstein, L. E. Smith, Mrs. W. H. Andrews.
Press—Miss Lucy Eldredge, W. E. MacClenny, H. C. Taylor.
Place for Next Session—A. M. Johnson, J. S. Peel.
Collectors—L. R. Jones, J. E. Lawrence, J. W. Roberts.
Nominations—C. H. Rowland, I. T. Byrd, Mrs. I. W. Johnson, B. J. Earp, A. L. Jolly.

Ministerial reports were read

On motion, the report blank submitted by the committee was referred to the committee for further consideration, with a request that the work be referred to the Southern Christian Convention for consideration. Rev. J. H. Lightbourne was added to the committee.

Report of Committee on Home Missions was read by Col. J. E. West, Chairman, and adopted as follows:

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

At the last session of the Conference, the matter of appropriating $200.00 to the work among prisoners was referred to our committee, which made the appropriation. As to future appropriations to this work, we recommend that the sum of $200 be deducted from the total Conference collections by the Committee on Finance, and that the remainder be distributed on the usual percentage basis.

We urge the prompt payment of pledges to the Men and Millions Movement.

We urge our pastors and delegates to see that Conference assessments are paid in full.

While no new Church has been admitted this year, we rejoice that the magnificent Christian Church in Richmond, Va., was opened for service on Sunday, September 30, 1923. We bespeak for that Church our continued support and co-operation.

Recognizing the pressing need at South Norfolk Church for better equipment, we endorse the proposed plan of building an adequate brick Sunday School building so designed that the Church auditorium can be economically added at a later date, and for this purpose we recommend a total appropriation of $2,500, payable in annual installments of $500 each. We further recommend that the Treasurer of the Conference place at interest the first $500 appropriation for the benefit of the South Norfolk Church, and pay same over to the treasurer of said Church when work begins on the new building.

We recommend the usual appropriation of $1,000 to the Christian Temple on building fund.

If any funds remain after these appropriations are paid, we recommend that the application of the Richmond Church be considered by this committee.

J. E. WEST,
O. D. POYTHRESS,
L. R. JONES,
MRS. I. W. JOHNSON,
J. T. RAWLES,
Committee.

Addresses by Col. J. E. West, Dr. L. E. Smith, and Dr. J. O. Atkinson.

Conference adjourned till evening session. Benediction by Rev. W. L. Wells.

FIRST DAY—EVENING SESSION.

Conference met at 7:30 o'clock. Devotions conducted by Rev. J. L. Foster. Rev. L. F. Paulette, pastor of the Holland Baptist Church, was introduced to the Conference.

Address, "The Romance of Missions," by Dr. J. O. Atkinson.

Address, "Enlisting Men for Missions," by Rev. J. G. Truitt.

Conference adjourned. Benediction by Dr. J. P. Barrett.

SECOND DAY—FORENOON SESSION.

Conference met and called to order at 10 o'clock. Devotions conducted by Dr. R. C. Helfenstein. Subject: "The Beauty and Power of Genuine Goodness."

The report on foreign missions was read by Rev. W. L. Wells and adopted, as follows:

FOREIGN MISSION REPORT.

We rejoice in the fact that during the past year our work in the foreign mission fields has made commendable progress, and we have many reasons to take courage and press on in the most worthy cause of doing our part in world evangelization.

Since our last Conference, five new workers have been sent out by our Foreign Mission Board, namely: Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Borton, who are in Porto Rico, to carry on agricultural and other forms of industrial mission work; Mr. G. Sano, who is now doing splendid work at Ichinoseki, Japan, after twelve years' preparation in the United States; Mr. Victor Rivera, a graduate of Elon College, who is in Porto Rico as our Sunday School and Christian Endeavor specialist; and Miss Angie Crew, who just recently reached Japan, where she plans to prepare for work among children, as there is a large field being opened along that line.

The splendid new Santa Isabel Chapel, in Santa Isabel, P. R., was dedicated September 7th. It is a modern Sunday School and Church building, and for its size is one of the finest on the island. It cost approximately $13,000, upon which we have an indebtedness of about three thousand dollars, which we hope will be paid off at some early date.

Another combination parsonage-preaching place was dedicated during the past year at Narugo, a large health resort in the northern, or Sendai, field, at a cost of about $2,500. The pastor in charge is doing excellent work in this field, and it is of interest to note that he was supported during his theological training by the Christian Endeavor Society of our Suffolk Church. Since becoming a regular pastor, his salary has been increased to $540 a year, so that the society could not continue his support.

At Moka, in the middle, or the Utsunomiya field, a property was bought during this past year, and is now arranged with a parsonage for the pastor and a combined kindergarten-Church building, at the total cost of about $2,500. This gives us an excellent plant, with a pastor in charge and with a fine kindergarten, doing excellent work.

We have also purchased a strip of land in Porto Rico to enlarge the premises where Brother and Sister Barrett live, and negotiations are now on for the purchase of a lot next to the Church in Avus for a parsonage there.

In Porto Rico each of the four main stations have shown commendable progress, not only in converts won, but in moving toward self-support by the native Church.

In Japan, we have taken a larger part in a great work called "newspaper evangelism," the same being interdenominational, our missionary, Rev. W. Q. McKnight, having charge of the northern branch at Sendai. We have also

had Dr. Woodworth teaching in the theological school in which several denominations are working together and in which we have several students preparing for the ministry. We also have two young Japanese ladies completing their work in the kindergarten training school, and one Bible woman completing her course and planing to take an extra year of special training.

We have two kindergartens in Porto Rico, and five in Japan, in addition to which there are several mothers' societies and sewing classes for girls. This is all in addition to our regular work of preaching and teaching and personal soul-winning, which continues throughout the year in various ways.

The Japan earthquake has upset our plans very much. It is reported that our large mission home and largest Tokyo Church have suffered most severely, and it is also reported that work on the new mission home which had just begun could not continue. This means that our whole building program in Tokyo is, for the time being, side-tracked.

Our Foreign Mission Board has recently issued a series of leaflets containing biographical sketches of all our missionaries, both home and foreign. These are especially good, as they are right up to date.

Your committee would urge:

First, that prayer be made for our foreign missionaries, that they may have great success in their respective fields of labor.

Second, that our home people may catch a vision of the great need of the gospel in heathen lands, and that God may lay it upon the hearts of many of our young people to carry out the great commission of our Lord, "Go ye into all the world and make disciples of all nations."

We urge further that all who can, pay up their pledges to Men and Millions at their earliest convenience, so as to have available funds to meet our outstanding obligations in the mission fields; that more of our people subscribe to and read *The Christian Missionary,* in order that we may keep ourselves posted as to the work that our denomination is doing in the foreign fields.

W. L. WELLS,
Committee.

It was moved and carried that Dr. W. H. Denison, superintendent Forward Movement, be given time for an address at 2:15 o'clock this afternoon.

Report of Committee on Education was read by Dr. C. H. Rowland, and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

There has never been such interest in education as at the present time. States are erecting buildings, increasing salaries, and demanding fuller attendance. Colleges and universities are multiplying their facilities, faculties, endowments, and student bodies. If knowledge could save men and the State, America would be safe, and the Church would be true. It must, however, be a lesson for the world, that the most learned nation of all time is now pitiful in her need. Greece shines no more, though her classics are still models for schools.

Elon College is our pride and our care. The fire of January 18, 1923, did not consume the loyalty of our people, nor the hope of our Church. Though the main building, with all the records of thirty-three years, perished in the flames, liberal individuals and communities rallied to the help of the institution, and five splendid buildings are in course of construction. The Alamance building is now occupied by daily activity, and four other buildings made possible by J. M. Darden, P. J. Carlton, M. Orban, Jr., and the Dukes, giving fifty thousand dollars each, are rising sphinx-like out of the ruins of the great fire, and Elon's future is brighter than ever before.

It remains, now, for the members of the Church to send their sons and daughters to Elon, which stands for "character first and always." The adoption of this report will mean the endorsement of Elon College as the best expression of our educational program.

The committee has no special report to make on H. C. Hainer, Revs. Dennis F. Parsons, J. T. Harrod, J. B. Chadwick, and J. N. Cutchin, as they have not communicated directly with the committee during the year.

We submit the following recommendations:

1. That Rev. H. S. Hardcastle be received into this Conference upon a letter of transfer from the North Carolina Christian Conference.

2. That Rev. Herman C. Taylor, a licentiate of this Conference, be ordained as an elder during this session, upon the recommendation of the People's Church, Dover, Del.

3. That Rev. T. Fred Wright, now a student in Elon College, be granted a loan of three hundred dollars ($300) to assist him during the present scholastic year.

Financial Exhibit.

Cash in bank		$2,084.95
Elon College bonds		4,000.00
Bills receivable:		
1	$290.00	
2	400.00	
3	365.00	
4	270.00	
5	300.00	
		1,625.00
Accounts receivable:		
1	$ 48.00	
2	400.00	
3	225.00	
		673.00
Total assets		$8,382.95

W. W. STALEY,
C. H. ROWLAND,
W. D. HARWARD,
Committee.

Address, "Joy in the Ministry," by Dr. C. H. Rowland.

It was moved and carried that our colleges be requested to require all applicants for admission as ministerial students from this Conference to be endorsed by the Committee on Education of the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference.

On motion, the Committee on Education was instructed to consider the advisability of ordaining Licentiate J. N. Cutchin.

Report on moral reform was read by Rev. W. B. Fuller, and, on motion, adopted as follows:

REPORT ON MORAL REFORM.

We are living in an age that offers the greatest opportunity to the Church that the world has ever known. The world today has more young people and children than ever before. Of course, young people and children want life and activity. They are going to have it. If the Church will use her opportunity, and win the boys and girls to Christ, the mainspring of vitality will be turned in the right direction, the Church will be better loved and supported, and the powers of darkness driven back.

True love is of the heart, not the head. If we can, through Bible reading, prayer, example, personal effort and consecration, get the children and youth to give their heart to Jesus and love Him who is worthy of their love, more than the sins of the world, then moral reform will take care of itself. The wise man said: "My son, give me thine heart." If God gets the heart surrendered unto Him, the rest of the body will take care of itself. Sin will not be the dominating force in such a life.

We recommend:

1. That our parents and Church leaders study conditions and also methods of instilling high ideals in the minds and hearts of the boys and girls, and to endeavor to make home the most sacred spot on earth. Thus preparing for a citizenship, which shall be Christian in thought and deed, and solve many of our problems in the Jesus way. Especially do we urge the value of the family altar in every home, with its daily uplifting and safeguarding influences, and the responsibilities which the Church must share with the home, of teaching the child the truths of the Word of God in such a way that these truths will inspire and guide his daily life.

2. That our Churches come to realize more fully that they are here to live among men and to serve them, as did the Master, and that to minister to the whole life, the social side must not be overlooked, but the Church devote thought to offering opportunities for Christian and social life to its young people.

3. That the Churches continue an active campaign against the evils of the liquor traffic, and that the members, in every way possible, exert their influence against attempts to weaken the Volstead act, and to electing to office officials who will stand for righteousness and law enforcement.

4. That we, as followers of Christ, strive to live closer to Him, and that our attitude to moral conditions of our time be determined by the study of His life and His Father's word, and that our attitude shall be expressed not only in condemnation, but in conscientious effort to help improve conditions in our community, State and nation.

W. B. FULLER,
J. W. ROBERTS,
J. E. CORBITT,
J. M. ROBERTS,
Committee.

Address, "The Restless Now," by Rev. B. J. Earp.

Conference sermon, "The Mission of the Church," by Rev. H. S. Hardcastle.

Conference adjourned for dinner. Benediction by Rev. J. W. Wellons, D. D.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference called to order at 2 o'clock. Devotions led by Rev. J. M. Roberts.

Dr. J. W. Wellons was introduced to the Conference, and after some remarks by him the congregation gave an offering, amounting to $40.84, to defray his expenses.

Report of Woman's Board was read by Mrs. C. H. Rowland, and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF WOMAN'S BOARD.

The woman's work of this Conference during the past year has been along the same general lines as heretofore. Though we have not accomplished all that we had hoped for, we have endeavored to encourage mission study, organize societies where there were none, and to increase a larger interest in the work in general.

We held four group meetings during the spring, at each of which there was a good attendance and inspiring missionary messages. Our annual Conference was with the society at Wakefield, and the representation and reports were both fine. The total amount gathered through all our societies was $5,462.

For the ensuing year, our financial goal is $5,500. Our objectives are the Richmond Church, the mountain field and the Santa Isabel work. We have

never wavered in our ideal of reaching the women and young people in every Church in our Conference, and we commit ourselves to the support of our Men and Millions campaign in our Churches. The following officers are submitted for your approval:

President—Mrs. C. H. Rowland, Franklin, Va.
Vice-President—Mrs. M. J. W. White, Norfolk, Va.
Secretary—Mrs. L. W. Stagg, Norfolk, Va.
Treasurer—Mrs. M. L. Bryant, Norfolk, Va.
Young People's Superintendent—Mrs. W. V. Leathers, Holland, Va.
Literary Superintendent—Mrs. J. E. Cartwright, Norfolk, Va.
Cradle Roll Superintendent—Mrs. W. H. Baker, Newport News, Va.

Address on "Forward Movement," by Dr. W. H. Denison, superintendent.

Mr. Chas. D. Johnston spoke concerning the Christian Orphanage.

President appointed ordaining presbytery—C. H. Rowland, L. E. Smith, J. P. Barrett.

The following resolution, offered by Judge J. F. West, was adopted:

Resolved, That the Circuit Court of Surry County, Va., be requested to appoint E. E. Holland, W. W. Staley, Jesse E. Harrell, J. P. Lee and A. T. Holland trustees of the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference, to hold for the Conference the legal title to the lot of land near Surry Courthouse, Va., on which was located "Old Lebanon" Christian Church, in which, on August 4, 1794, the name "Christian" was adopted.

Report of Christian education was read by Rev. James H. Lightbourne, Chairman, and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION.

Your Committee on Christian Education has endeavored to work with, and to carry out the plans of, the Board of Religious Education of the Southern Christian Convention and the Department of Christian Education of the General Convention. By a happy coincidence, the chairman of your committee is the executive secretary of the Convention of Sunday Schools and Christian Endeavor Societies of the Conference, and consequently there has been a delightful and effective spirit of co-operation between these two bodies.

Your committee early communicated with Miss Lucy M. Eldredge, field secretary of the Southern Convention Board, and Dr. W. A. Harper, secretary of the General Convention Department. The former, a member, as it happens, of this committee, advised us the board would call on us from time to time, and that the board would always be at our service. The latter suggested: first, the correlating of the Young People's Division of the Sunday School—that is, ages 12 to 24—with the Christian Endeavor; and, second, the holding of a series of one or two-day institutes with groups of Churches of the Conference.

We wish to report that the Board of the Southern Convention, from time to time, did call upon up, and that whenever we found occasion to call upon it, the response was prompt and agreeable.

The first suggestion of Dr. Harper's presented grave difficulties. In the first place, few of our schools are closely or departmentally graded, and consequently few have a superintendent of the Young People's Division. In the second place, we have only a very small number of Christian Endeavor Societies, and there exists a woeful lack of contact with the few existing effective organizations. To meet these difficulties, special emphasis has been given graded organization in our Sunday Schools. The revised Convention Constitution calls for a complete staff of departmental secretaries.

The Sunday School Convention of the previous July had sounded a note of constructive effort in behalf of Christian Endeavor. A secretaryship of Christian Endeavor was established, and Mrs. C. C. Rawls, of Suffolk, was

appointed to the office. At the 1923 Convention, Christian Endeavor was given a representative place on the program, including two one-hour conferences, a period for a pageant, and in the revised Constitution an equal rank with the Sunday School in the name of the Convention. Mr. W. H. Baker, of Newport News, a tSate Endeavor official, is the newly elected secretary, and since the July Convention three new societies have been organized, one an intermediate.

The second suggestion was apt, for the Convention, with the Southern Convention Board, was planning such a campaign of institutes. They were held during the period March 17th to April 2nd, with the following faculty: Miss Lucy Eldredge, Mr. Hermon Eldredge, and Rev. E. B. Flory. It was planned to have Christian Endeavor represented in these institutes in the person of Mr. Frank Wilson, field secretary for North Carolina and Virginia, but a week before the institutes he was forced to cancel the engagement.

Twenty-four institute sessions were held with thirteen groups, sixteen special meetings were held with ten Churches, and one hundred and eighty children attended six story hours. In the afternoon, institute sessions, 417 Sunday School superintendents, officers and teachers were directly reached. The institutes financed themselves.

Upon the chairman's request for suggestions from the membership of the committee relative to possible channels of activity, Dr. R. C. Helfenstein, of Dover, Del., suggested a questionnaire on the basic principles of the Christian religion for use among the teen-age students of our Sunday Schools. The chairman requested each member of the committee, together with Dr. W. A. Harper, to submit fifteen questions From the seventy-five thus secured, no two identical, the chairman created the following questionnaire of twelve questions, the student being urged to answer ten of the twelve.

1. Why do you believe there is a God?
2. What is the Bible?
3. Who was Jesus Christ, and what about Him especially appeals to you.
4. How do we become Christians?
5. What are some of the obligations of Church membership?
6. What is prayer?
7. What is sin?
8. What is faith?
9. For whom and for what was the Sabbath established?
10. Name as many as you can of the principles of the Christian Church.
11. What is the Holy Spirit?
12. What differences can you give between Protestantism and Catholicism?

At first reading, these questions appear involved and beyond the grasp of the comprehension of a teen-age girl or boy. But closer observation reveals they are what they were intended to be—questions on the basic principles of Christianity.

Our teen-age girls and boys did what we wanted them to do—they answered the questionnaire as best they could, and they answered it well.

Twenty-three of thirty-nine schools approached through their superintendents requested the questionnaires, and seventeen of these schools returned them to the committee. The following observations drawn from a study of the results by age groups are interesting, instructive and constructive:

1. Our young people, either in their homes or their Churches, or in both, are being effectively instructed in the basic principles of Christianity.
2. Even scholars so young as ten years attempted and, in the main, could answer ten of the ewelve questions.
3. More stress apparently has been laid on the obligations of Church membership than on several of the essential principles on which Church membership necessarily must be based.
4. On the whole, there was a vagueness in regard to what constitutes faith.
5. Few attempted to define the Holy Spirit.
6. Very few could name the principles of the Christian Church.

Some one has said: "It is one thing to be a Christian, and quite another to know what Christianity is." We understand Christian education to be the effort of the Church, through every available agency and channel, but more especially through the home, the Sunday School, the Christian Endeavor, and the missionary societies, to teach what Christianity is. It is not to teach ethics, nor morality, nor social service, but to teach the essentials of Christianity, that these might work out in ethics, in morality, and in social service. We are very mindful of Paul—"Work out your own salvation, for it is God that worketh in you."

Another has said: "It is apparently quite possible for one to go to Sunday School and Church considerably without ever gaining a clear conception of what Christianity is." The investigations by groups of chaplains and Y. M. C. A. religious secretaries a few years ago in the armies of England and the United States bear out the truth of this. One report reads: "We find astonishing, lamentable, universal ignorance concerning the facts and truths of Christianity." It is to remedy such a condition we emphasize the necessity of Christian education. The Church of the Reformation was a teaching Church, and we have got to become again more and more a careful and thorough teaching Church.

We wish to make the following suggestions:

1. That our pastors, from time to time, preach on—
The religious truths of the Old Testament.
The teachings of Jesus.
Paul's interpretation of the life, the death and the resurrection of the Christ.
The history of the Church.
The principles of the Christian Church.
2. That our Sunday Schools have brought before them from time to time—
The history of the Church.
The history of missions.
The great essential truths.
The principles of the Christian Church.

We wish to recommend:

1. That the Sunday School and Christian Endeavor Societies of our Conference manifest a greater interest in the Convention organized and carried on in their behalf.

2. That our Sunday Schools give considerable thought to the advantages of grading and of using graded literature.

3. That our Sunday Schools conduct daily vacation Bible schools.

4. That where it is practicable, our Churches promote and support the Virginia system of public school Bible study.

5. That we endorse the request of the Board of Religious Education of the Southern Convention for the "Children's Day" offering from our schools, and that we urge the promotion of the offering.

6. That our Churches conduct classes in leadership training, especially teacher training.

7. That our pastors take more active part in the Sunday School, informing themselves and instructing the Sunday School leaders in methods, organization, and worship.

8. That until the Southern Convention takes some action, the Sunday Schools and Christian Endeavor Societies of our Conference support, as an emergency, the Department of Christian Education of the General Convention with one Sunday's offering each year, preferably the offering received on Rally Day. (This item referred to Executive Committee, S. C. C., for favorable consideration.—Secretary.)

9. That our Sunday Schools, Christian Endeavor Societies, and missionary societies endeavor to be represented at the Elon Chautauqua and School of Methods.

10. That the Executive Board of the Convention of Sunday Schools and Christian Endeavor Societies, and two members at large, to be appointed by the President, constitute the Conference Committee on Christian Education.

11. That we, as a Conference, endorse the plans and suggestions of the General Convention Department of Christian Education for a program of Christian education for our denomination.

MISS LUCY M. ELDREDGE,
MRS. W. H. ANDREWS,
J. O. WIGGS,
R. C. HELFENSTEIN,
JAMES H. LIGHTBOURNE,
Committee.

Conference adjourned till evening. Benediction by Chaplain H. E. Rountree.

SECOND DAY—EVENING SESSION.

Conference met at 7:30 o'clock. Devotions conducted by Rev. B. J. Earp.

Address, "Leadership in the Christian Church," by Dr. W. A. Harper.

Address, "Leadership of Childhood," by Dr. H. S. Smith.

Benediction, by Rev. L. F. Paulette.

THIRD DAY—FORENOON SESSION.

Conference met at 10 o'clock. Devotions conducted by Dr. R. C. Helfenstein.

Rev. M. W. Butler was granted a letter of transfer to unite with the Eastern Indiana Christian Conference.

Report of Committee on Religious Literature was read by Rev. B. F. Black, chairman.

Address, "The Religious Newspaper the Handmaid of the Church," by Dr. J. P. Barrett, Editor *Christian Sun.*

Discussion of report by Dr. J. O. Atkinson, W. A. Harper, W. H. Denison and P. J. Kernodle. Report adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

"Knowledge is power" for good or evil. The Bible is the Word of God or a myth. We believe it to be the Word of Almighty God, a lamp to our weary feet. Since "reading maketh a full man," we urge, therefore, that the Bible be read in every home daily; and that prayer be made to God to the end that the Holy Spirit interpret to our hearts the life-giving Word as we read it.

We recommend *The Christian Sun, The Herald of Gospel Liberty, The Christian Missionary,* and *The Journal of Christian Education* to our people as a means to a great end, namely: that our people may keep themselves informed as to the needs and progress of the work in the kingdom—as alloted to our care.

B. F. BLACK.
J. P. BARRETT.
MRS. W. H. DREWRY.
HERMAN C. TAYLOR.
MRS. J. E. HARRIS.

Report of Committee on Nominations was submitted. The following persons were elected for the positions indicated:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS.

Conference officers for ensuing year:

President—Dr. W. D. Harward.
Vice-President—Rev. J. L. Foster.
Secretary—Dr. I. W. Johnson.
Assistant Secretary—Rev. W. L. Wells.
Treasurer—H. Woodward.

Delegates to next session of the Southern Christian Convention:

Ministers—W. W. Staley, J. P. Barrett, W. D. Harward, B. F. Black, J. L. Foster, H. H. Butler, R. C. Helfenstein, W. B. Fuller, J. H. Lightbourne, O. D. Poythress, J. M. Roberts, B. J. Earp, W. L. Wells, H. S. Hardcastle, W. H. Denison, T. E. White, W. H. Garman, H. E. Rountree, W. D. Parry, G. D. Eastes, A. R. Flowers, Elisha Bradshaw, H. C. Taylor.

Laymen—J. E. West, P. J. Kernodle, J. W. Folk, L. R. Jones, E. T. Holland, W. V. Leathers, Joel E. Harrell, A. B. Jarvis, Mrs. W. H. Baker, E. E. Holland, Mrs. L. W. Stagg, John King, R. B. Odom, J. W. Roberts, E. T. Atkinson, Mrs. I. W. Johnson, C. D. West, J. M. Jones, P. J. Carlton, Judge J. F. West, J. E. Lawrence, John A. Hutton.

Alternates—J. D. McClenny, J. O. Wiggs, B. D. Jones, I. A. Luke, W. H. Baker, J. S. Peel, I. T. Byrd, J. E. Corbitt, Mrs. L. E. Smith, J. A. Williams, Otis V. Joyner, Dr. J. W. Manning, R. B. Wood, Mrs. J. L. Foster, J. H. Blanchard, B. E. White, M. L. Gray, S. Leon Lewis, L. W. Vaughan, A. L. Jolly, W. J. Holland, Dr. J. M. Calhoun.

Report of Committee on Resolutions read by the chairman:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

Your Committee on Resolutions has the following resolutions to submit:

1. That the pastors and delegates should make a sincere effort to carry out, in their respective Churches, the various recommendations submitted by the different Conference committees and speakers, that the impressions received in this Conference session shall find expression in the programs of our Churches.

2. That the Conference express, through its President, the sincere appreciation of the service rendered by the Program Committee, the Conference officials and committeemen, those who have served in any way on the program, those who have enriched the program by their contribution in music, and the different papers that have given publicity to the Conference program.

3. That we reaffirm our endorsement of the Men and Millions Movement, expressing our conviction that it was a movement sent of God, and that we call the attention of our people to the sacredness of their pledges, reminding them that they are sacred and that we urge them to make every possible effort to meet their pledges at the earliest possible date, that they may receive God's larger blessings in return, and that the kingdom work may continue to advance through our Church.

4. That we congratulate Dr. W. A. Harper and the Board of Trustees of Elon College on the most splendid work they have done and are doing for our college and the cause of Christian education, and that we ask the Churches of our Conference to respond to their calls in behalf of the college.

5. That the officers, delegates and visitors express, by a rising vote of thanks, their sincere appreciation of the most cordial welcome extended by the town of Holland and community to the Conference—a welcome which was so beautifully expressed in the delightful and gracious hospitality shown by the pastor of the Holland Christian Church, Rev. James H. Lightbourne, and the members and friends of his Church; a hospitality which could not be surpassed by any Church anywhere.

Respectfully submitted,

R. C. HELFENSTEIN.
L. E. SMITH.
MRS. W. H. ANDREWS.

Report adopted.

Report of Committee on Revision of Report Blanks was submitted and the Report Blank was recommended to the Revision Committee of the Southern Christian Convention for consideration.

Dr. C. H. Rowland was granted a letter of transfer to the North Carolina and Virginia Christian Conference. Appreciation of the services of Dr. Rowland in this Conference was expressed by a rising vote.

Report of the Collectors was read by L. R. Jones, chairman, and was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COLLECTORS.

We, your Collectors for the One Hundred and Third Annual Session of the Eastern Virginia Conference, beg leave to report that we have received the following amounts from the Churches, to be credited to the various Conference funds as follows:

	Per Cent.	
Home missions	20	$1,513.65
Foreign missions	20	1,513.65
Elon College fund	20	1,513.65
Convention missions	15	1,135.24
Convention fund	10	756.82
Superannuated fund	5	378.41
Conference fund	5	378.41
Educational fund	5	378.42
Total		$7,568.25

Following Churches failed to send the Conference apportionments in full: Antioch, Bethlehem, Damascus, Eure, Isle of Wight, Johnson's Grove, Mt. Carmel, New Lebanon, South Norfolk, St. Luke's, Union, South, Union Surry, Wakefield. Following Churches did not pay anything on apportionments: Holdens, Moore's, Ocean View, Oak Grove, St. Paul's.

Respectfully submitted,

L. R. JONES.
J. E. LAWRENCE.
J. W. ROBERTS.

Report of Committee on Apportionments for the ensuing year was submitted by I. A. Luke, chairman, and adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPORTIONMENTS.

Antioch	$ 250.00
Barrett's	100.00
Berea, Nansemond	250.00
Berea, Norfolk	125.00
Bethlehem	200.00
Burton's Grove	50.00
Centerville	45.00
Christian Temple	400.00
Cypress Chapel	230.00
Damascus	200.00
Dendron	130.00
Eure	150.00
First, Norfolk	250.00
First, Richmond	100.00
First, Portsmouth	150.00
Franklin	300.00
Hobson	25.00

Holden's	20.00
Holland	350.00
Holy Neck	350.00
Isle of Wight	125.00
Ivor	35.00
Johnson's Grove	75.00
Liberty Spring	240.00
Moore's	20.00
Mt. Carmel	200.00
Mt. Zion	45.00
New Lebanon	100.00
Newport News	130.00
Ocean View	25.00
Old Zion	130.00
Oak Grove	75.00
Oakland	190.00
People's, Dover	300.00
Elm Avenue, Portsmouth	40.00
Rosemont	125.00
Suffolk	2,000.00
Salem	30.00
South Norfolk	200.00
Spring Hill	50.00
St. Luke's	20.00
St. Paul's	20.00
Union, Southampton	100.00
Union, Surry	75.00
Wakefield	50.00
Waverly	300.00
Windsor	100.00
Total	$8,475.00

Respectfully submitted,

I. A. LUKE, *Chairman.*

Report of Committee on Place for Next Session was received, and on motion it was decided to accept the invitation of the Christian Temple, Norfolk, as a place for the next session of the Conference.

On motion, the Report of the Committee on Christian Education was reconsidered, and "item 8" of said report was referred to the Executive Committee of the Southern Christian Convention, with a recommendation for favorable consideration. Report adopted as a whole, as indicated elsewhere in the records.

President announced the Standing Committees for the ensuing year:

Program—W. D. Harward, J. H. Lightbourne, L. E. Smith.

Home Missions—J. E. West, O. D. Poythress, L. R. Jones, Mrs. I. W. Johnson, T. E. White.

Foreign Missions—W. L. Wells, H. S. Hardcastle, Mrs. J. A. Williams, J. N. Cutchin, A. L. Jolly.

Religious Literature—B. F. Black, J. P. Barrett, J. W. Roberts, H. C. Taylor, Mrs. O. S. Mills.

Moral Reform—W. B. Fuller, J. M. Roberts, W. H. Garman, John King, Mrs. W. H. Baker, Elisha Bradshaw.

Education—W. W. Staley, I. W. Johnson, J. L. Foster.

Christian Education—J. H. Lightbourne, R. C. Helfenstein, E. E. Holland, B. J. Earp, Mrs. W. H. Andrews.
Apportionments—I. A. Luke, R. B. Odom, A. B. Jarvis.
Tabulation—J. O. Wiggs, W. H. Baker.

Report of Committee on Finance was read, and, on motion, adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

We have examined the report of H. Woodward, Treasurer, checked the vouchers, and found same correct. We have accepted certificates of J. L. Little, auditor of the Farmers' Bank of Nansemond, for the balance on deposit.

The Collectors report total collections at this session $7,568.25.

We recommend the payment of the following bills, from the Conference fund:

I. W. Johnson, Secretary, postage and cards	$ 4.50
I. W. Johnson, Secretary, salary	25.00
Burlington Printing Co., questionnaires	7.95
Herald Printing Corporation, report blanks	22.75
J. H. Lightbourne, expenses, committees	5.03
Herald Printing Corporation, programs	15.50
Total	$80.73

We recommend that the Secretary be instructed to draw drafts to W. C. Wicker, Treasurer Southern Christian Convention, for the following amounts:

Foreign missions	$1,533.65
Elon College fund	1,533.65
Convention missions	1,150.24
Convention fund	766.82
Superannuated fund	443.41
Total	$5,423.57

R. B. ODOM,
R. C. NORFLEET,
J. S. COLLINS,
Committee.

On motion, minutes are to be approved by the Executive Committee. Minutes ordered printed in "Annual"; 600 copies purchased and distributed pro rata among the Churches as usual.

Rev. Herman C. Taylor was ordained an elder and enrolled as such on the Conference records. Presbytery: C. H. Rowland, L. E. Smith, J. P. Barrett.

Conference adjourned to meet Tuesday before the first Sunday in November, 1924, at Christian Temple, Norfolk, Va., at 11 o'clock A. M.

W. D. HARWOOD, *President.*
Portsmouth, Va.

I. W. JOHNSON, *Secretary.*
Suffolk, Va.

NOTE.—The reports made on the new report blank for this year were so incomplete that it appeared to be impossible to tabulate the reports so as to make a fair showing of the work done. For this reason, the reports are not tabulated as heretofore.—*Secretary.*

Statistics, Table No. 1—Eastern Virginia Conference.

CHURCH	PASTOR	SECRETARY AND ADDRESS	Membership 1922	Received Since	Number Lost	Membership, 1923	Officers and Teachers in Sunday School	Total Enrollment in Sunday School	Value of Church Property
Antioch	H. H. Butler	J. H. Godwin, Windsor, Va	370	15	3	382	15	165	$ 5,000
Barretts	W. B. Fuller	J. E. Ellsworth, Sebrell, Va	112	.....	3	109	8	70	1,000
Berea (Norfolk)	B. F. Black	M. W. Hollowell, R. 3., Portsmouth, Va	135	1	5	131	13	100	3,000
Berea (Nansemond)	I. W. Johnson	Mrs. L. E. Hargroves, Driver, Va	139	.....	3	136	15	100	12,000
Burton's Grove	A. R. Flowers	E. W. Carroll, Wakefield, Va	72	.....	3	69	7	29	800
Bethlehem	T. E. White	J. W. Folk, Suffolk, Va	241	31	9	263	18	172	20,000
Cypress Chapel	J. M. Roberts	C. W. Rountree, Cypress Chapel, Va	300	21	8	313	14	78	2,000
Christian Temple	L. E. Smith	W. L. Cooper, Norfolk, Va	898	19	6	911	36	582	264,000
Centerville	J. L. Foster	J. L. Moss, Disputanta, Va	75	1	3	73	9	70	1,200
Damascus	J. N. Cutchin	J. E. Corbitt Sunbury, N. C	155	11	1	165	7	70	2,000
Dendron	A. R. Flowers	W. S. Barrett, Dendron, Va	125	2	.....	127	18	168	7,000
Eure	J. M. Roberts	W. M. Sparkman, Eure, N. C	192	.....	6	186	11	50	1,500
Elm Avenue	W. D. Harward	J. W. Felton, Portsmouth, Va	150	29	63	116	20	182	13,400
First (Norfolk)	J. G. Truitt	E. H. Everton, Norfolk, Va	420	14	5	429	30	308	28,500
First (Richmond)	W. T. Walters	D. W. Darden, Richmond, Va	97	8	6	99	10	129	100,000
Franklin	C. H. Rowland	W. A. Daughtrey, Franklin, Va	260	5	6	259	21	249	35,000
Hobson	I. W. Johnson	T. H. Beale, Hobson, Va	16	.....	.....	16	11	31	2,000
Holland	J. H. Lightbourne	R. H. Riedel, Holland, Va	367	4	10	361	16	189	48,000
Holy Neck	G. D. Eastes	R. C. Norfleet, Holland Va	395	11	19	387	14	186	12,000
Isle of Wight	T. E. White	M. T. Whitley, Windsor, Va	57	16	2	71	13	98	2,000
Ivor	W. B. Fuller	Mary J. Sykes, Ivor, Va	36	2	5	33	10	40	2,500
Johnson's Grove	W. B. Fuller	W. H. Joyner, Courtland, Va	102	.....	.....	102	9	71	1,500
Liberty Spring	I. W. Johnson	F. F. Brinkley, Suffolk' Va	250	19	3	266	10	150	10,500
Mt. Carmel	T. E. White	Otis V. Joyner, Walters, Va	266	4	34	236	25	240	7,000
Mt. Zion	H. H. Butler	Clara Fields, Eclipse, Va	42	1	.....	43	18	81	2,000
New Lebanon	A. R. Flowers	Olle V. Cockes, Elberon, Va	72	1	4	69	12	67	2,500
Newport News	B. J. Earp	Mrs. W. H. Baker, Newport News, Va	269	40	54	254	30	264	10,000
Oakland	I. W. Johnson	R. B. Wood, Chuckatuck, Va	308	10	22	286	12	223	5,000
Oak Grove	J. M. Roberts	W. C. Beamon, Savage, N. C	65	3	.....	68	8	60	1,500
Old Zion	W. H. Garman	W. M. Gunter, Norfolk, Va	383	51	3	434	21	489	12,000

Ocean View	T. F. Wright	T. F. Wright Norfolk, Va	28	8	1	35	10	71	1 500
Portsmouth (First)	W. L. Wells	J. S. Wright, Portsmouth, Va	185	5	30	160	14	159	60,000
People's (Dover)	R. C. Helfenstein	E. E. Benson, Dover, Del	470	51	9	512	23	492	154,500
Rosemont	B. F. Black	R. W Bondurant Berkley, Va	183	31	39	175	21	264	12,000
Sarem	J. M. Roberts	W. J. Felton, Gates, N. C	51	1	5	46			2,000
South Norfolk	O. D. Poythress	C. E. Hollowell, So. Norfolk, Va	410	40	29	421	21	440	5,500
Suffolk	W. W. Staley and H. S. Hardcastle	J. D. McClenny, Suffolk Va	1,066	7	21	1,052	38	724	100,000
Spring Hill	J. L. Foster	C. C. Richardson, Waverly, Va	70	5	5	70	9	68	2,500
St. Luke's	R. S. Stephens	C. L. Wright, Dover Del	18		1	14	4	18	7 000
Union (Southampton)	W. B. Fuller	B. Drake Franklin, Va	115	10	3	122	6	48	1,500
Union (Surry)	A. R. Flowers	R. T. Brittle, Dendron Va	55	5		60	7	31	1 500
Wakefield	A. R. Flowers	A. H. Spivey, Wakefield, Va	75	2	2	75	8	69	6,000
Waverly	J. L. Foster	R. T. West ,Waverly Va	284	1	3	282	16	282	14,000
Windsor	T. E. White	J. L. Eley, Windsor, Va	102		2	100	16	128	6 200
Totals			9,481	485	439	9,527	654	7,505	$ 987,100

Statistics, Table No. 2—Eastern Virginia Conference.

CHURCH	SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPERINT.	Current Expenses Not Pastor s Salary	Raised for Conference	Missions	Orphanage	All Other Benevolences	Pastor's Salary	Buildings and Equipment	Raised by Sunday School	Raised by Other Societies	Total Amount Raised
Antioch	R. H. Barrett, Zuni, Va		$ 125.00				$ 300.00				$ 425.00
Barrett's	J. E. Ellswoth Sebrell, Va	$ 25.00	100.00		$ 5.00	$ 50.00	150.00		$ 50.00		380.00
Berea (Nansemond)	W. H. Brinkley, Driver, Va	110.00	250.00	$ 1,057.22	172.25	166.86	600.00	$ 86.20	387.09		2,644.10
Berea (Norfolk)	W. F. Hodges, Fentress, Va	150.00	100.00	10.00	60.00	20.00	500.00		100.00	$ 50.00	900.00
Burton's Grove	F. E. Branch, Wakefield, Va	15.00	50.00			33.36	175.00				273.36
Bethlehem	W. E. White, Suffolk, Va	125.00	125.00	12.75	20.00	164.88	550.00	4,200.00	147.66		5,564.12
Cypress Chapel	Cyrus Brinkley, Cypress Chapel, Va	50.00	230.00	115.15	25.00	125.00	400.00	12.00	100.00		957.15
Christian Temple	A. B. Jarvis, Norfolk, Va	2,780.99	400.00	3,536.83	242.68	244.56	4,200.00	121,409.06		527.85	134,341.97
Centerville	J. W. Bain, Disputanta, Va	105.00	45.00		12.00	48.00	177.00		80.00		469.05
Damascus	J. E. Corbin, Sunsbury, N. C	52.00	124.00	77.92	15.00	32.85	150.00				451.27
Dendron	E. T. Atkinson, Dendron, Va	245.00	130.00	245.65	114.36		441.00	90.00	314.72		1,580.86
Eure's	T. A. Eure Eure, N. C	75.00	55.50			25.00	300.00	1,500.00	25.00	100.00	2,080.50
Elm Avenue	R. L. Baker, Portsmouth, Va	453.85	40.00	98.68	52.04		1,452.50	432.10	230.57	166.70	2,720.87
First (Norfolk)	J. O. Wiggs, Norolk, Va	1,371.15	250.00	568.18	258.77	759.17	2,000.00	20.00	610.65	619.28	5,272.57
First (Richmond)	D. J. Kelley, Richmond, Va	182.00	100.00	34.76	121.73	11.35		10,000.00	404.03	529.00	11,226.35
Franklin	L. R. Jones, Franklin, Va	568.24	300.00	1,134.43	206.05		2,100.00	450.00	951.27	584.59	5,363.31
Hobson	T. H. Beale, Hobson, Va	20.00	25.00				100.00		50.00		195.00
Holland	I. A. Luke, Holland, Va	1,265.44	350.00	401.54	223.36	20.00	2,100.00	2,072.53	527.53	573.40	6,652.95
Holy Neck	R. C. Norfleet, Holland, Va		350.00	64.00	317.00	1,217.64	1,899.00	257.50	543.00	774.85	5,092.37
Isle of Wight	M. T. Whitley, Windsor, Va	360.00	75.00	7.50	50.00		300.00	25.00	217.50		817.50
Ivor	B. H. Lane, Ivor, Va	59.76	35.00		10.17		200.00		51.09		252.84
Johnson's Grove	M. H. Doyle, Sedley, Va	69.97	44.00	7.50	9.55		200.00	47.50	49.17	20.00	395.97
Liberty Spring	I. T. Byrd, Holland, Va	100.00	240.00	800.00	60.00		500.00	100.00	100.00	225.00	2,125.00
Mt. Carmel	Otis V. Joyner, Walters, Va	213.41	100.00	48.40	115.73	205.44	655.84		396.92	112.00	1,337.22
Mt. Zion	Victor Kear, Eclipse, Va	50.00	45.00		20.86		150.00		50.00	25.00	350.00
New Lebanon	Ollie V. Cockes Elberon, Va	66.00	50.00		10.00	60.00	216.25		87.00		409.25
Newport News	C. D. West, Newport News, Va	1,311.25	130.00	324.39	198.43	134.72	1,800.000		487.85	781.80	3,954.64
Oakland	W. K. Wagner, Suffolk, Va	275.00	190.00	140.00	60.00		550.00	2,000.00	301.78	160.00	3,676.78

Oak Grove	(No report)										
Old Zion	W. M. Gunter, Norfolk, Va	310.10	130.00		21.34		1,820.00	300.00	600.00		3,181.34
Ocean View	(No report)										
First Portsmouth	J. L. Norfleet, Portsmouth, Va	1,465.21	150.00	380.16	101.94	31.43	1,698.32	217.96	593.62	140.06	4,223.88
People's, Dover	J. B. Hutton Dover, Del	2,304.64	300.00	764.64	178.09	343.25	3,500.00	109,150.79	780.52	1,623.73	119,436.50
Rosemont	H. C Hedley, Buell, Va	693.88	125.00	986.11	269.30	144.00	1,529.05	543.98	950.03	639.13	4,336.95
Sarem	(No school)	10.00	30.00				100.00				140.00
South Norfolk	B. F. McGinley, R. 3, Berkley, Va	1,452.00	155.00	250.00	250.00		2,400.00	1,200.00	896.00	50.00	4,956.00
Suffolk	W. S. Beamon, Suffolk, Va	3,004.29	2,000.00	1,700.00	854.00	54.00	3,166.66		1,804.51	6,000.00	16,011.22
Spring Hill	J. T. White, Waverly, Va	46.00	60.00		12.00		221.00		55.87	12.00	394.87
St. Luke's	C. E. Wright, Dover, Del	1.84	10.00					357.00			368.84
Union (Southampton)	L. W. Vaughan, Franklin, Va		80.00	10.00	21.94	10.84	250.00	150.00	92.19	48.00	570.88
Union (Surry)	R. E. Brittle, Dendron, Va	27.50	50.00		14.00		180.00	58.00	174.00	4.00	407.00
Wakefield	W. R. Clark, Wakefield, Va	58.32	68.00	128.14	46.68	35.00	408.00		199.29	122.85	789.14
Waverly	J. F. West, Sr, Waverly, Va	283.81	300.00	405.21	104.29	7.75	1,252.00	607.00	308.92	561.49	3,274.00
Windsor	S. T. Holland, Windsor, Va	167.50	100.00	90.85	122.71	42.92	383.50	735.05	301.52	247.85	1,543.34
Totals		$19,924.15	$ 7,616.50	$13,400.01	$ 4,376.27	$ 3,988.02	$39,075.12	$ 256,021.67	$13,019.34	$14,698.58	$ 359,543.96

Proceedings of the Ninety-Eighth Annual Session of the Eastern North Carolina Christian Conference

NEW HOPE, FRANKLIN COUNTY, N. C.

October 23, 1923.

The Eastern North Carolina Christian Conference met in annual session at New Hope Christian Church, Franklin County, N. C., Tuesday morning, October 23, 1923, and after finding the required membership present for opening, was called to order at 10 A. M. by Dr. W. C. Wicker, President.

In the absence of the Secretary, Rev. R. L. Williamson, Rev. J. Fuller Johnson was appointed to serve pro tem.

Bible study was conducted by Rev. J. Lee Johnson.

It was moved and carried that the program as prepared by the Program Committee be adopted, with the following amendment: that Miss Lucy Eldredge be given a place on the program.

Passing to the head of "enrollment and organization," the following elders were enrolled: Rev. J. Lee Johnson, Fuquay Springs, N. C.; Rev. J. E. Franks, Cary, N. C.; Rev. J. D. Wicker, Sanford, N. C.; Dr. W. C. Wicker, Elon College, N. C.; Rev. R. L. Williamson, Sanford, N. C.

The following licentiates were enrolled: Rev. J. Fuller Johnson, Fuquay Springs, N. C.; Rev. M. T. Sorrell, Fancy Gap, Va.

At this time, the roll of Churches was called and enrolled as follows:

Churches and Delegates.

Amelia—No delegate; report by letter.
Antioch—No report.
Auburn—E. J. Pool, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Weaver, and Myrtle Phillips.
Bethel—A. S. Pierce.
Bethlehem—Miss Lillian Gray and Mrs. Russell Gray.
Beulah—J. B. Edwards, G. W. Farrell.
Catawba Springs—J. A. Denton, John Murry, and Carr Senter.
Chapel Hill—Miss Annie Neville, Rev. B. J. Howard.
Christian Chapel—By letter.
Christian Light—A. Y. Tutor, E. M. Blanchard.
Clayton—G. W. Breedlove.
Damascus—By letter.
Ebenezer—No report.
Franklinton—R. N. Mitchell, B. J. Blackley.

Fuller's Chapel—W. S. Briggs, J. T. White, J. F. Coghill, Jr., J. F. Coghill, Sr.
Good Hope—By letter.
Hayes Chapel—S. C. Maynard.
Henderson—Mrs. J. J. Faulkner, Mrs. F. M. Harwood, W. A. Newman.
Lee's Chapel—W. R. Gilmore, George Gunter.
Liberty—Mrs. R. J. Newton, W. S. Ayscue, L. S. Stainback, G. W. Eaves.
Martha's Chapel—by letter.
Mebane—By letter.
Morrisville—E. W. Clements, Miss Lessie Pugh.
Moore Union—By letter.
Mt. Carmel—By letter.
Mt. Auburn—J. A. Kimball.
Mt. Hermon—By letter.
Mt. Gilead—Miss Mattie Ayscue, A. P. Strickland, I. N. Inscoe.
New Hill—By letter.
New Elam—By letter.
Oak Level—J. J. Pierce.
O'Kelly's Chapel—By letter.
New Hope—J. B. King, N. M. Rogers, W. M. Wheelis, Baron Arnold.
Pleasant Hill—By letter.
Piney Plains—J. C. Smith, Will Patrick.
Pleasant Union—A. M. Long.
Plymouth—S. M. Rowland.
Copes Chapel—J. W. Smith, G. H. Pergerson.
Raleigh—Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Barrow, Mrs. L. L. Vaughan.
Sanford—W. H. Wicker.
Shallow Well—R. L. Watson.
Six Forks—No report.
Turner's Chapel—By letter.
Wake Chapel—K. B. Johnson, W. J. Ballentine, C. N. Johnson.
Wentworth—J. M. Banks, Kenneth Sarrell.
Youngsville—John Edwards.
Lebanon—A. H. Pattishall, Alma Mansfield.

Ministers—Rev. B. J. Howard, Chapel Hill, N. C.; Rev. J. D. Wicker, Sanford, N. C.; Rev. M. T. Sorrell, Fancy Gap, Va.; Rev. J. Lee Johnson, Fuquay Springs, N. C.; Rev. R. L. Williamson, Sanford, N. C.; Rev. J. E. Franks, Cary, N. C.; Dr. W. C. Wicker, Elon College, N. C.; Rev. Herbert Scholtz, Macon, N. C.; Rev. J. Fuller Johnson, Fuquay Springs, N. C.

The following officers were elected for the coming year:

President—Dr. W. C. Wicker.
Vice-President—Rev. J. E. Franks.

Secretary—Rev. J. Fuller Johnson.
Assistant Secretary—Miss Pattie Coghill.
Treasurer—W. J. Ballentine.

After completion of organization and enrollment, the address of welcome was delivered by Rev. J. E. Franks. The response to address of welcome was made by Rev. J. D. Wicker.

It was moved and carried that the following visitors be invited to seats as deliberative members of the Conference: Miss Lucy M. Eldredge, Revs. J. S. Carden, C. W. Hook, A. H. Hook, T. F. Wright.

Passing to the report of the Executive Committee, in the absence of Rev. G. J. Green, Chairman, the report was made in the form of a few remarks by Dr. W. C. Wicker on the reorganization of the Eastern North Carolina Christian Conference.

At this time, the following were appointed to fill vacancies on the several committees:

Foreign Missions—J. Fuller Johnson.
Religious Literature—B. J. Blackley.
Sunday School and Christian Endeavor—Miss Lucy Eldredge.

A Committee on Religious Services was appointed, consisting of Rev. J. E. Franks and the deacons of New Hope Christian Church.

Adjournment.

FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference called to order by the President.

Bible study, by Rev. J. Lee Johnson.

A petition was presented by Rev. J. E. Franks, asking for the reception of Lebanon Christian Church into the Eastern North Carolina Christian Conference.

It was moved and carried that Lebanon Christian Church be received into the Eastern North Carolina Christian Conference and the delegates from said Church be enrolled.

It was moved and carried that the following visitors be invited to seats as deliberative members of the Conference: Dr. D. A. Long, Rev. J. W. Patton, Mr. C. D. Johnston.

Passing to the head of "miscellaneous business," it was moved and carried that a committee for receiving invitations for place of Conference meeting next year be appointed. W. A. Newman was appointed on this committee.

The following committees were appointed:

Committee on Apportionment—K. B. Johnson, W. H. Wicker, J. B. Edwards.
Committee on Nominations—Rev. J. Lee Johnson, Rev. J. E. Franks, Rev. R. L. Williamson.

Committee on Religious Literature—Miss Lucy Eldredge, Mrs. R. J. Newton, Mr. A. P. Strickland.

At this time, the President delivered his address.

Adjournment.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Conference called to order by the President. Song service conducted by A. P. Strickland. Bible study conducted by Rev. J. Lee Johnson.

A Committee on Resolutions was appointed, consisting of Geo. T. Whitaker.

REPORT ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

We, your Committee on Religious Literature, realizing that reading develops thought, thought bestirs action, and action produces service; therefore, we recommend:

1. That we read and study the Bible daily, for in the Scriptures we find eternal life.
2. That we subscribe to and read *The Christian Sun* for information and inspiration.
3. We also recommend to our people *The Herald of Gospel Liberty, The Christian Missionary, The Journal of Christian Education.*
4. That our Sunday Schools use our own literature.
5. That each Church provide itself with a full supply of the "Origin and Principles of the Christian Church," edited by Rev. J. F. Burnett, to be distributed to its members and friends.
6. That each pastor read and bring this report before each congregation once during the coming year, and stress the importance of reading and studying our own literature.

A. P. STRICKLAND,
MRS. R. J. NEWTON,
Committee.

Report adopted.

REPORT ON MORAL REFORM.

There is a strong tide of immorality that should claim the attention of the Church. It is against God. It is against the Bible. It is against the Church. It is against authority. It is against morality. It has gathered force so rapidly that it almost staggers one to contemplate the power of its surging waves. May we call the attention of the Conference to a few of these waves.

1. Complete returns from twenty-one States show an increase of 35 per cent in the number of divorces registered in 1922, as compared with divorces in 1916. At the same time, in the same twenty-one States, marriages have increased only 7 per cent. The number of divorces registered in these States in 1922 totaled 61,073, compared with 45,181 in 1916. The rate of divorce in these twenty-one States jumped from one divorce to 9.2 marriages in 1916, to one divorce to 7.2 marriages in 1922.

It is computed by the *Troy Times* that divorces are granted in America at the rate of one every four minutes throughout the year.

Since the home is the unit of our society, these figures should cause us serious consideration. What we need is a new tradition that marriage is binding. Our grandparents did not always agree, but divorce was not well thought of in their time; besides, their economic existence depended on each one staying on the job—the one to cut the wood, the other to bake the bread.

The nation, we are told, "is really founded on its family life and preserved by the influences that radiate from its homes." From the day it was founded, it has drawn its inspiration and its vitality from its family altars, but now it is only a step from the altar to the divorce court.

2. The increase of Sabbath desecration, too, should receive our most earnest consideration. With more than 200,000 automobiles in this State, conservative observation would justify us to estimate that, at least, one-half of these are used for other than right purposes each holy Sabbath day. Estimating four people to the car, we have the great throng of 400,000 people who are desecrating the Sabbath themselves, and who lead thousands of others to do so by keeping open stores, filling station, etc.

3. The cigarette habit, awhile ago, was confined to the youthful boys of our land, but today it is not only more commonly practiced by the youthful boys, but our fathers, some mothers and many daughters are puffing away at the cigarette, too. Our highest medical authorities agree with the observation of all world leaders that the cigarette has a most telling influence on the physical as well as the moral man. Out of one hundred young criminals in one test, there were ninety-seven cigarette smokers.

4. Modern pleasure-seekers are more and more prone to engage in such pastime and recreation as shall appeal to their emotional natures, and too often are led to surrender that that is purest and best in life. Among these we would name the modern dance, the theater, moving-picture shows, and the bathing pool. We had read a prophecy of such a tide, but here it is. What can we do? Can the tide be diverted? We must do something. The Church should sound the alarm. She is God's watchman. We must urge all of God's prophets, preachers and lay leaders to lay off with the fairy tales, pretty poems, essays on art and travel, quit so much talk about little Willie, who has gone to heaven, moonshine on mother's grave, and tell Aunt Mary I'll be there—but describe the state of the heart, character of life, the peril of the soul, the claims of Jesus Christ, and sound out the story of the cross.

We must recognize fully that every man and woman who denies God's word, whether in the Church or in the world, is an enemy, and we must reprove, rebuke and warn as we see the day approaching.

Respectfully submitted,

J. E. FRANKS,
M. T. SORRELL,
J. A. KIMBALL,
Committee.

Report adopted.

Moved and carried that Dr. Parry, pastor of the Raleigh Church, and Dr. J. O. Atkinson be made deliberative members of the Conference.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

Education is the process of modifying human experience by guiding conduct. In this educative process the purposes of the individual must be realized. Christian education seeks to center the conduct and character, the plans and purposes about Christ as the ideal of our highest conception of what man should become.

Since our last annual Conference, Elon College has suffered a tremendous loss in the burning of the administration building, library, records, equipment, and all other contents; but our college had so endeared itself to the Church and the public mind that Alamance County responded by raising $100,000 to build the Alamance Hall. Three friends of the Church each gave $50,000 for three new additional buildings, and a science building, at a cost of $50,000, is being built by the gifts of the brotherhood at large. The present building program provides for five new fire-proof buildings, at a cost of $300,000. This

will provide as good accommodations for the education of the young people of our Church as they can find in any institution in the country.

We urge all our people to use their undivided influence to enlarge the patronage of the college and to give it their financial support in paying all present pledges and making further donations to the endowment fund. We further urge our people to make donations of books for the library, or money to purchase books.

We have examined Licentiates J. Fuller Johnson and M. T. Sorrell on their proficiency for ordination, and recommend that they be ordained as elders in this Conference during the present session of Conference.

Respectfully submitted,

W. C. WICKER,
J. LEE JOHNSON,
Committee.

Report adopted.

At this time an address was delivered by Dr. J. O. Atkinson on "Christian Education."

Address, "Our Orphanage," by Superintendent Chas. D. Johnston.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS.

We, your Committee on Nominations, wish to recommend that the following be appointed as delegates from the Eastern North Carolina Christian Conference to the North Carolina Christian Conference, and that they be sent a letter of notification of appointment by the Secretary of this Conference: K. B. Johnson, J. R. Brown, A. M. Long, S. M. Rowland, J. M. Banks, John Murry, Benny Phelps, C. H. Stephenson, L. L. Vaughan, W. R. Rogers, A. P. Strickland, J. Berry Edwards, J. L. Brown, Charlie Eaves, J. A. Kimball, Scott Johnson, D. A. Mann, J. U. Gunter, J. Walker Kelly, H. G. Franklin, W. A. Newman, L. L. Stainback, Ed. Clements, J. W. Neighbors, and A. J. Morgan.

J. LEE JOHNSON,
J. E. FRANKS,
Committee.

Report adopted.

Moved and carried that the delegates nominated to attend the North Carolina Christian Conference be empowered with authority to name alternates.

Moved and carried that the Secretary be given the authority to draw on the Treasurer for expense of writing to delegates nominated by Committee on Nominations to attend North Carolina Christian Conference.

Adjournment.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference called to order by the President.

Song service conducted by A. P. Strickland.

Bible study conducted by Rev. J. Lee Johnson.

Ordination service.—Rev. J. Fuller Johnson and Rev. M. T. Sorrell were duly ordained by a presbytery composed of Rev. J. Lee Johnson, Rev. J. D. Wicker, Dr. J. O. Atkinson, and Rev. J. W. Patton.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUPERANNUATION.

Your Committee on Superannuation recommends that all money received for this fund be turned over to the Superannuation Committee of the Southern Christian Convention, as we understand that they are providing for all our needy aged and infirm ministers and their widows.

K. B. JOHNSON,
Committee.

Report adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

Resolved, That this Conference memorialize the North Carolina Conference for a redivision of our Sunday School Convention into the three divisions existing prior to the merging of our Conference with the others into the State Conference. If such division of our Convention shall be granted, this Conference shall consider itself responsible for its pro rata share of the expense necessary to maintain the field secretary.

Resolved, That this Conference, by rising vote, express its appreciation of the splendid entertainment afforded by the good people of New Hope Church and community. Our stay among this people has indeed been a pleasant one, and their spirit of service will long remain an inspiration to us.

GEO. T. WHITAKER,
Committee.

Report adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOME MISSIONS.

The Church's great mission is to evangelize the world. "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature," is a command as imperative as when the departing Master gave it to His disciples. The Master's plan included all the peoples of the earth.

If the Church is to succeed in giving the gospel to all the people, a new emphasis must be put on the importance of strengthening and enlarging our work in the home field.

This work may be designated as intensive and extensive. Every local Church should aim to reach for active service for Christ and the Church, all the people of the community. On the other hand, we should ever be seeking new fields of service. These may be found in the growing towns and cities and in the neglected rural districts.

Whether the home mission work be considered from the standpoint of the local Church or from that of the fields beyond, everywhere fields are "white already to harvest." Never was the responsibility greater, nor the opportunity more challenging. It is a challenge to our closest co-operation and most earnest endeavor. Whether this challenge comes from the nearby field or from beyond, we should accept it with an earnest endeavor to do our full duty.

We recommend that all money collected by the Eastern North Carolina Christian Conference for home missions be turned over to the Treasurer of the North Carolina Christian Conference.

J. D. WICKER,
K. B. JOHNSON,
Committee.

Report adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The first and chief business of the Church is to be missionary. The power, progress and development of all Church interests and enterprises depend upon the missionary spirit. We grow strong in all other interests that pertain to

the Church only as we grow strong in our missionary endeavor. As a people, we have not shown that zeal for the spread of the gospel that we should show. However, we are showing an ever-increasing interest in missions, as results show. We have sent out five missionaries during the past year—two to Porto Rico and three to Japan. In Porto Rico, more than 70,000 souls have been assigned us as a Church, and unless we reach these people with the gospel, they will not be reached. In Japan, 400,000 souls have been apportioned us, and these will not be reached with the gospel unless we as a Church reach them. We learn with sorrow of the great loss of life and property among our people in Japan because of the recent earthquake. There is great and widespread want and destitution among our Churches and people in Japan, and it will require large sums of money to restore the work to its former condition.

We recommend:

1. That we pray earnestly to God to give us missionaries—ambassadors—to go out on the firing line for us.

2. That we make our foreign mission offering equal to our home mission offering.

3. That we take a Christmas offering in all our Churches and Sunday Schools for missions, and this offering this year be made as liberal as possible, in view of the great destitution and need in Japan; and that the Christmas offering for missions go one-half to home and the other half to foreign missions.

J. FULLER JOHNSON,
Committee.

Report adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PLACE OF MEETING.

Conference to meet in 1924 at Pleasant Union Christian Church, Harnett County.

W. A. NEWMAN,
Committee.

Report adopted.

Adjournment.

SECOND DAY—EVENING SESSION.

Conference called to order by the President.

Song service conducted by J. A. Denton.

Address, "Our Young People and the Great Commission," by Dr. J. O. Atkinson.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPORTIONMENT.

In view of considerable dissatisfaction among the Churches regarding the apportionment, we recommend a decrease of 20 per cent in the amount apportioned to each Church the past year.

K. B. JOHNSON,
W. H. WICKER,
J. B. EDWARDS,
Committee.

Report adopted.

Adjournment.

THIRD DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Conference called to order by President.

Song service led by Bro. J. A. Denton.

Bible study conducted by Rev. J. Lee Johnson.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR.

Your Committee on Sunday Schools and Christian Endeavor rejoice to report progress in these two departments of the Church.

Since the consolidation of the three Conferences, we have made a gain of nine Sunday Schools and 2,927 added to the enrollment. While the Christian Endeavor has increased in both about 300 per cent.

Five years ago today (October 25, 1918), the Board of Religious Education, an organization authorized by the Southern Christian Convention, held its first session in Raleigh, N. C., and set for its goal—

First—A Sunday School and Christian Endeavor Society in every Church in the Southern Christian Convention.

Second—Every school a standard school, and every society a standard society.

Third—Monthly missionary instruction and offering.

Fourth—Raise the sum of one thousand dollars for Sunday School and Christian Endeavor missions during the year.

While we have not yet reached this goal, or gained in numbers as rapidly as we would like to report, yet it is encouraging to note the great and good work that is being done by this board, and to witness the increasing zeal, determination and enthusiasm for the work as evidenced by our last Sunday School and Christian Endeavor Convention held at Catawba Springs, July 11-13.

Miss Lucy M. Eldredge, our field secretary, began active service in July, 1921, and since that time has been faithful to her duties of organizing new Sunday Schools, Christian Endeavor Societies, holding institutes, editing religious education notes in *The Christian Sun,* and maintaining an office in Richmond, Va., where information regarding any phase of Sunday School or Christian Endeavor work is gladly furnished to any school or society. We, therefore, recommend—

First—That the Eastern North Carolina Conference, in session assembled, being an integral part and vitally interested in the work of its young people, pledge its loyalty to the Board of Religious Education and donate from its Conference funds not less than $200 each year for the purpose of carrying forward this great and important work.

Second—That Sunday School and Christian Endeavor institutes be held in as many communities as possible in the bounds of this Conference during the coming year, under the direction of the Board of Religious Education, and that every Church co-operate with its secretary, Miss Eldredge, in making them a success.

Third—That we urge upon each school and society the importance of reaching the "standard of efficiency" as set forth by the Sunday School and Christian Endeavor Boards of our Church, keeping posted and abreast of the times by subscribing to and reading our Church papers, and using, as far as practicable, the literature published by our own denomination.

C. H. STEPHENSON,
K. B. JOHNSON,
Committee.

Report adopted.

Moved and carried that the Executive Committee be authorized to make as large appropriation as possible to the Sunday School and Christian Endeavor work after paying the expenses of Conference.

Moved and carried that Dr. J. O. Atkinson be requested to report the meetings of the Conference to *The Christian Sun.*

Moved and carried that Dr. W. C. Wicker be retained on the Committee of Education.

Standing Committees.

Home Missions—Rev. J. Lee Johnson, Rev. J. D. Wicker, Rev. W. G. Clements, John Murry.

Foreign Missions—W. H. Wicker, J. Milton Banks, Rev. J. Fuller Johnson.

Sunday School and Christian Endeavor—C. H. Stephenson, Miss Pattie Coghill, Geo. T. Whitaker, J. U. Gunter, Mrs. L. L. Vaughan.

Education—Rev. R. L. Williamson, Rev. J. Lee Johnson, Rev. H. Scholtz, Dr. W. C. Wicker.

Evangelism—Rev. M. T. Sorrell, Rev. G. J. Green, Rev. J. Fuller Johnson.

Social Service—Rev. J. E. Franks, J. A. Kimball, Rev. M. T. Sorrell.

Religious Literature—Rev. B. J. Howard, Rev. H. Scholtz, L. L. Vaughan.

Executive—Dr. W. C. Wicker, Rev. G. J. Green, I. W. Pritchard.

Program—Rev. J. Fuller Johnson, Dr. W. C. Wicker.

Moved and carried that the Conference meet on Tuesday following the third Sunday in November, provided the State Conference will arrange their meeting so as not to conflict.

Moved and carried that the Secretary of the Conference be paid twenty-five ($25.00) dollars annually for his service.

Moved and carried that the Secretary be authorized to draw orders on the Treasurer of the Conference for the payment of such funds and accounts that this Conference may be due to the several purposes.

Moved and carried that the Conference purchase two hundred copies of the "Annual," to be distributed in proportion to Church membership, not less than two copies to be sent to each Church.

The report of the Treasurer was called for, and the Treasurer reported collected $2,131.95.

Adjournment.

W. C. WICKER, *President.*
J. FULLER JOHNSON, *Secretary.*

MINISTERIAL REPORTS.

B. J. Howard—Chapel Hill, New Elam and Center Grove. Sermons preached, 90; baptisms, 16; marriages, 5; members received, 27; burial services, 9; salary received, $1,390. Have had a good year.

J. D. Wicker—Sermons preached, 4; lectures, 6; prayer meetings held, 5; burial services, 3; attended Southern Christian Convention Sunday School and Christian Endeavor Conventions.

M. T. Sorrell—Charge: New Hope, Hayes' Chapel, Christian Chapel, Bethel, Mt. Gilead, Smithwood. Sermons, 121; convertions in pastoral charge, 115; lectures, 7; prayer meetings held, 50; members received, 72; pastoral visits, 350; burial services, 3; salary, $700.

J. Lee Johnson—Charge: Catawba Springs, Plymouth, Wentworth, Piney Plains, Wake Chapel, Pleasant Union (H), and Christian Light. Sermons preached, about 200; convertions in pastoral charge, 65; baptisms, 40; marriages, 2; prayermeetings held, several; members received, 40; pastoral visits, 150; burial services, 5 or 6; salary received, $1,400. Assisted in many revival meetings.

R. L. Williamson—Charge: Sanford, Shallowell, Grace's Chapel, Turner's Chapel, Poplar Branch. Sermons preached, 91; convertions, 55; marriages, 4; prayer meetings held, 25; members received, 37; pastoral visits, 445; burial services, 8; salary received, $1,500.

J. E. Franks—Charge: Beulah, North Clayton, New Hope, Liberty (Vance), Lee's Chapel, Zion, and Lebanon. Sermons preached, 200; convertions, 215; baptisms, 89; lectures, 10; marriages, 2; prayer meetings, 40; members received, 95; pastoral visits, 330; burial services, 7; salary received, $1,310.

W. C. Wicker—Sermons preached, 12; lectures, 150; marriage, 1; prayer meetings, 14; burial services, 6. Have taught in Elon College, attended Southern Christian Convention.

Herbert Scholz—Principal of Drewry High School, in Warren County, N. C.

J. Fuller Johnson—Charge: Martha's Chapel, Youngsville, Antioch (W), Bethlehem (W) (the two last named are mission points). Sermons preached, 113; convertions in charge, 36; members received, 30; burial services, 2; salary received, $382. Have had a good year.

CHURCH	PASTOR	NAME AND ADDRESS CHURCH SECRETARY	NAME AND ADDRESS S. S. SECRETARY	Church Membership	Sunday School Membership	Conference Apportionment	Paid Conference	Paid Pastor	Raised for Other Purposes	Value of Church Property
Amelia		B. H. Phelps, Clayton, N. C.	E. H. Adams, Clayton, N. C.	64	44	$ 60.00		$ 150.00	$ 115.00	$ 800
Antioch						35.00				600
Auburn	J. E. Franks	J. I. Branch, Auburn, N. C.	Earlie Jones, Auburn, N. C.	90	77	70.00	55.60	150.00	71.56	800
Catawba Springs	J. Lee Johnson	B. F. Branch, Raleigh, N. C. R. 3	B. F. Branch, Raleigh, R. 3	164	108	145.00	90.00	334.00	803.17	2,500
Chapel Hill	B. J. Howard	J. W. McCauley, Chapel Hill, N. C.	W. H. Ray, Chapel Hill, N. C.	94	95	50.00	50.00	550.00	1,128.00	3,500
Christian Light	J. Lee Johnson	E. M. Blanchard, Kipling, N. C.	E. C. Blanchard, Kipling, N. C.	92	67	48.00	48.00	100.00	89.00	1,500
Christian Chapel	J. Fuller Johnson	A. M. Catten, Merry -aks, N. C.	W. G. Ellis, Merry Oaks, N. C.	155	45	65.00	30.00	200.00		2,000
Damascus	J. S. Carden	T. C. Lindsay, Chapel Hill, N. C.	Willie Perry, Chapel Hill, N. C.	104	76	155.00	90.00	200.00	155.00	2,500
Franklinton	D. A. Long	Geo. T. Whitaker, Franklinton	R. N. Mitchell, Franklinton, N. C.	23	21	25.00	25.00	300.00	98.22	8,000
Fullers' Chapel	W.C. Hook	Jessie Woodlief, Henderson, N. C.	Jessie Woodlief, Henderson, N. C.	110	75	65.00	35.00	170.50	69.50	1,000
Good Hope	G. J. Green	Nola Woodlief, Youngsville, N. C.	Marlen Sherron, Youngsville	95	82	55.00	37.75	200.00	58.00	500
Hayes Chapel	J. Fuller Johnson	Stella Johnson, Garner, N. C.	S. C. Maynard, Garner, N. C.		70	45.00	30.00	125.00	321.00	3,500
Henderson	A. H. Hook	C. D. Newman, Henderson, N. C.	C. D. Harnm, Henderson, N. C.	85	100	70.00	70.00	546.23	851.54	10,000
Lee's Chapel	J. E. Franks	Mrs. W. R. Gilmore, Moncure, N. C.	Nellie Cashion, Moncure, N. C.	69	71	25.00		69.00	36.61	500
Liberty	J. E. Franks	J. Lee Lassiter, Henderson, N. C.	R. E. Eaves, Henderson, N. C.	388	271	225.00	142.50	400.00	438.23	5,000
Martha's Chapel	J. Fuller Johnson	A. J. Morgan, Apex, N. C.	Estis Morgan, Apex, N. C.	64	106	55.00	25.00	175.00	38.00	1,500
Mebane	T. F. Wright	Mrs. J. O. Fowler, Mebane, N. C.	Frank Lynch, Mebane, N. C.	30	56	25.00	25.00	150.00	389.13	5,000
Morrisville		Lessie Pugh, Morrisville, N. C.	Eizabeth Green, Morrisville, N.C.	46	16	65.00	25.00	108.00	52.50	1,500
Moore's Union	J. W. Knight	G. E. Moore, Jonesboro, N. C.		98	45	40.00	40.00	250.00	38.00	2,000
Mt Carmel	G. J. Green	Wenie Lippett, Franklinton, N. C.	Zula Mitchell, Franklinton, N. C.	127	57	60.00	12.25	63.95	6.42	500
Mt. Auburn	D. A. Long	J D. Moss, Manson, N. C.	Fleming Hilliard, Wise, N. C	147	141	225.00	40.00	400.00	907.30	4,000
Mt. Gilead	J. E. Franks	Mrs. W. C. Wilder, Louisburg, N. C.	Annie Southall, Louisburg, N. C.	150	155	60.00	60.00	170.00	53.00	800
Mt. Hermon	G. J. Green	G. F. Penny, Garner ,N. C.		38		45.00	24.00	152.00	25.00	750
NewElam	B. J. Howard	Blanch Holt, New Hill, N. C.	Mabel Mann, New Hill, N. C.	276	135	120.00	120.00	300.00	127.69	1,600
New Hill	J. Fuller Johnson	Carey Welch, New Hill, N. C.		44		40.00	40.00	100.00	60.00	800
North Clayton	J. E. Franks	Andrew Henry, Clayton, N. C.	Bessie Ellis, Clayton, N. C.	99	64	25.00	25.00	200.00	581.95	6,000
New Hope	J. E. Franks	John Chamblee, Louisburg, N. C.		198	147	85.00	22.35	200.00	113.00	1,500
Oak Level	J. Fuller Johnson	J. L. Pearce, Youngsville, N. C.	Ivy Yancey, Youngsville, N. C.	117	88	100.00	50.00	150.00	96.60	800
O'Kelly's Chapel	S. C. Harrell	J. D. Harward, Durham, N. C.	Grady Womble, Durham, N. C.	37	56	65.00	43.06	75.00	57.50	800
Piney Plains	J. Lee Johnson	W. R. Patricks, Raleigh, N. C.	Lucy Stephens, Raleigh, R. 4	85	100	60.00	60.00	154.00	468.21	2,000
Pleasant Union	J. Lee Johnson	W. S. Long, Lillington, N. C. R. 1	John Green, Lillington, R. 1	137	60	75.00	60.00	300.00	60.00	2,000
Plymouth	J. Lee Johnson	B. G. Partin, McCullers, N. C.	Lattie Honeycutt, McCullers	68	86	30.00	15.00	150.00	27.00	400
Popes Chapel	D. A. Long	H. G. Holmes, Youngsville, N. C.	Roy Holmes, Youngsville, N. C.	121	61	145.00	50.00	200.00	120.00	2,000
PleasantHill	J. Lee Johnson	J. W. Neighbors, Benson, N. C.	J. W. Neighbors, Benson, N. C.	80	78	50.00	25.00	200.00	28.00	1,500
Raleigh (First)	W. D. Parry	H. M. Rhodes, Raleigh, N. C.	L. C. Brinkley, Raleigh, N. C.	212	227	115.00	115.00	2,500.00	4,567.78	20,000
Sanford	R. L. Williamson	J. W. Stout, Sanford, N. C.	Pearl Way, Sanford, N. C.	147	182	100.00	100.00	525.00	2,335.16	10,000
Shallow Well	R. L. Williamson	J. Walker Kelly, Jonesboro, N. C.	Percy Kelly, Jonesboro, N. C.	233	134	125.00	125.00	500.00	163.25	2,500
Six Forks						80.00				200
Turner's Chapel	R. L Williamson	Mrs. R. L. Ross, Sanford, R. 5	Zelma Wicker, Sanford, R. 5	65	70	35.00	35.00	200.00	224.71	1,000
Wake Chapel	J. Lee Johnson	H. W. Johnson, Fuquay Springs	B. H. Jones, Varina, N. C.	175	80	200.00	150.00	300.00	6,132.30	12,000
Wentworth	J. Lee Johnson	L. D. Stephenson, Raleigh, N. C.	Henry Brown, McCullers, N. C.	73	64	80.00	80.00	200.00	157.00	1,000
Youngsville	J. Fuller Johnson	L. E. Winton, Youngsvlle, N. C.		42	53	65.00	48.00	150.00	49.50	1,500
Totals						$ 3,533.00	$ 2,118.51	$11,467.68	$21,113.83	$ 124,172

Proceedings of the Fifty-Third Annual Session of the Western North Carolina Christian Conference

ETHER CHRISTIAN CHURCH, ETHER, N. C.
NOVEMBER 6-8, 1923.

FIRST DAY—MORNING SESSION.

The Fifty-Third Session of the Western North Carolina Christian Conference was called to order by Rev. G. R. Underwood, Chairman of the Executive Committee.

The opening exercises were led by Rev. A. K. Scotten.

The roll was called and members of Conference were enrolled.

Ministers—S. L. Beougher, W. J. Edwards, L. W. Fogleman, T. J. Green, W. N. Hayes, G. O. Lankford, A. K. Scotten, J. W. Patton, G. R. Underwood.

Licentiates—John M. Allred, S. M. Lynam, W. C. Martin.

Churches and Delegates.

Antioch—L. W. Hayes, C. V. Crouch.
Asheboro—Dr. E. L. Moffitt, F. M. Wright.
Burlington—W. R. Sellars, D. C. Neese.
Bennett—C. R. Scotton.
Brown's Chapel—J. M. Morgan, J. A. Dunlop.
Big Oak—J. B. Cole, B. E. Cole.
Antioch (C)—J. S. Hart, Mrs. Irene Hart, J. J. Palmer.
Ether—J. A. Dunlop, A. W. Brown.
Grace's Chapel—H. W. Cole, T. A. Wolfer.
Graham—J. N. H. Clendenin.
High Point—V. D. Sheppard, N. E. Nelson.
Liberty—C. L. Bray.
New Center—S. R. Allred, L. V. Craven.
Needham's Grove—A. L. Scott, Neil Dunlop.
Pleasant Grove—H. L. Liles, W. L. Welch, J. G. Loudermilk.
Parks X Roads—W. R. Rightsell, Lena Burgess, Myrtle Cox.
Pleasant Ridge—W. H. Wrenn, J. L. Bray.
Pleasant Cross—J. H. Shain.
Pleasant Hill—Paul E. Coble, Fred H. Pickard.
Ramseur—J. L. Spencer, J. A. Parks.
Randleman—A. P. Gaster, R. W. McKenzie.
Shiloah—J. E. Stout, B. S. Moffitt.

Shady Grove—Mrs. D. F. Hulin, B. B. Martin.
Seagrove—O. D. Lawrence, Mrs. D. A. Cornellison.
Zion—Mrs. B. J. Holt, Mrs. Anna Johnson.
Smithwood—W. M. Curtis, P. T. Humble.

On motion, Dr. J. O. Atkinson, Rev. J. P. Barrett, Dr. W. A. Harper, Misses Pattie Coghill and Lucy M. Eldredge, Prof. P. J. Kernodle and Bro. Chas. D. Johnson were invited to seats as deliberative members. Each responded with appropriate remarks.

On motion, the following officers were elected:

President—Rev. G. R. Underwood.
Vice-President—Dr. G. O. Lankford.
Secretary—Rev. W. C. Martin.
Assistant Secretary—W. R. Rightsell.
Treasurer—F. M. Wright.

Address of welcome by A. Freeman. T. J. Green responded.

Report of Executive Committee was read and adopted.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

February 10, 1923—Published standing committees.

June 8, 1923—Selected Ether, N. C., as the place for holding this session of Conference.

August 15, 1923—Prepared and had published program; also Church letters and ministerial blanks.

Respectfully submitted,
G. R. UNDERWOOD,
T. J. GREEN,
G. O. LANKFORD,
Executive Committee.

Report adopted.

Annual address, by Dr. E. L. Moffitt; subject, "Is the Church of Today Fulfilling its Mission?"

An address was then given by Dr. J. O. Atkinson on "Missions."

Moved and carried that Conference adjourn.

FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference met at 2 o'clock. Religious exercises by Rev. G. O. Lankford.

Petitions and enrollment.

Report of fraternal messengers. Dr. J. O. Atkinson responded.

Prof. P. J. Kernodle spoke on *The Christian Sun* as a means of publicity.

Report on moral reform read by F. M. Wright.

REPORT ON MORAL REFORM.

Your Committee on Morals beg to submit:

That long reports on reformation in morals, recommending many changes in the deportment of mankind and even members of the Church, can never

produce ideal living. This work in morals must be constructive, rather than destructive. It must be wrought in the home, in the child-life, and from the pulpit.

We, therefore, as a Conference of Christian workers, plead for the Bible in the home, the ideal life before the child, and the whole gospel from the pulpit.

F. M. WRIGHT,
W. N. HAYES,
Committee.

Report adopted.

The following committees were appointed for the session:

Executive—G. R. Underwood, G. O. Lankford, T. J. Green.
Education—G. O. Lankford, J. W. Patton, T. J. Green.
Home Missions—T. J. Green, A. K. Scotten, O. D. Lawrence, G. R. Underwood, G. O. Lankford.
Foreign Missions—A. K. Scotton, S. L. Beougher, J. M. Allred, W. J. Edwards.
Moral Reform—F. M. Wright, W. N. Hayes, C. R. Scotton, J. W. Patton.
Sunday Schools—C. B. Riddle, D. C. Nease, R. O. Smith, F. M. Wright.
Religious Literature—E. L. Moffitt, C. B. Riddle, H. Freeman.
Christian Endeavor—W. C. Martin, B. S. Moffitt, J. G. Loudermilk.
Program Committee—G. R. Underwood, T. J. Green.
Ladies' Missionary Society—Mrs. D. A. Corneilson, Miss Pattie Coghill, Mrs. G. R. Underwood.
Finance—W. R. Sellers, B. B. Martin, J. L. Bray.
Committee on Place—J. E. Stout, W. L. Welch, Vance Cox.
Committee on Resolutions—J. W. Patton, O. D. Lawrence, B. B. Martin.
Apportionments—Rev. G. R. Underwood, Dr. E. L. Moffitt, Dr. G. O. Lankford, B. S. Moffitt, O. D. Lawrence.

Moved and carried that a committee composed of the President, the Secretary, Dr. G. O. Lankford and Dr. J. O. Atkinson be appointed as a Bureau of Information for the various committees.

Report of Entertainment Committee was read.

By motion, Conference adjourned. Benediction by Rev. A. K. Scotten.

FIRST DAY—EVENING SESSION.

Conference assembled at 7:30 o'clock. In the absence of the President, Vice-President Dr. G. O. Lankford assumed the chair. Prayer was offered by Rev. S. L. Beougher.

Bro. Chas. D. Johnson spoke on the Christian Orphanage.

Following the address, an offering was taken, which amounted to $14.11.

Miss Pattie Coghill gave an address in behalf of the Young People's Missionary work.

On motion, Conference adjourned. Benediction by Rev. T. J. Green.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Conference was called to order by the President. Devotional services by Rev. J. W. Patton.

Roll called and minutes of yesterday's session read and approved.

Moved and carried that a Nominating Committee be appointed to nominate delegates for the North Carolina Conference and Southern Christian Convention. The committee is as follows: Dr. G. O. Lankford, Rev. T. J. Green, Rev. W. J. Edwards, B. B. Martin and J. N. H. Clendenin.

Moved and adopted that Dr. J. Presley Barrett and Dr. W. A. Harper be seated as deliberate members.

Report on education was read by Dr. G. O. Lankford. The report was discussed by Drs. Lankford, W. A. Harper, and J. Presley Barrett.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

The day in which we live is emphasizing education as never before in the history of our country. This is commendable, and indicates a wholesome tendency or trend in our American life. While this emphasis upon education is to be commended, it should be borne in mind that it is not merely education that we need, but Christian education; not merely education for a livelihood, but education for life and service to God and man. If the future of our citizens and sacred institutions are to be safeguarded and fostered, developed along safe and sane lines, we must look well to the education not only of the head and hand, but of the heart as well. It is indispensable that education be built around and upon the principles of the Master Teacher.

On the 18th day of January of this year, Elon College suffered a great calamity in the loss by fire of the administration building of that institution, the parent building of the college, which fire entailed a loss of thousands of dollars in property values, to say nothing of the inestimable loss of records, portraits and other valuables that cannot be duplicated. The information of this loss spread as a cloud of sorrow over the hearts of our people, both North and South. This sorrow, however, was the birth of a new love and hope for the college, and the occasion of a determination to rebuild in a larger and more substantial way. Consequently, out of the ashes and upon the ruins of the old, a new, larger, more commanding Elon is rising rapidly and surely today. Five splendid, commodious, well-appointed buildings are now under construction in place of the one building that was destroyed, these buildings being the gifts of generous hearts who love the cause of Christian education and the Christian Church. The future of the college is one of great hope and promise.

On the 12th day of September, Bethlehem Junior Christian College, Wadley, Ala., opened her doors for the first time for the reception of students, thus bringing to a happy realization the hopes and dreams of our people of the Far South for an educational institution of our Church in their midst. This school has made a good beginning, and promises much for our work in that section.

At the session of the American Christian Convention, in Burlington, in October, 1922, the educational work of our Church was co-ordinated under the

Board of Christian Education, with a general secretary of education. This, we feel, is a great step forward, and will be productive of larger things for the denomination and for the kingdom in the years that lie ahead.

We call attention of the Conference to the following items for consideration:

1. Licentiate J. M. Allred has been actively engaged in the work of the Church during the year, having served a pastorate of four Churches. Three of these Churches have presented written requests for his ordination. After careful examination, we recommend that he be ordained during the sitting of this Conference.

2. Licentiate E. C. Brady has made no report to your committee.

3. W. B. Terrell is a junior in Elon College this year, and is making commendable progress in his work. It is understood that he is in need of financial assistance, but has no request before the committee. We recommend him to the Executive Committee for such action as may be necessary.

4. We prayerfully urge upon the membership of Conference a loyal, undivided support of Elon College, the Department of Christian Education, and of all those agencies that look toward a better-trained leadership and a more efficient Church for Christ-like service in the world.

G. O. LANKFORD,
J. W. PATTON,
Committee.

Adopted.

The ministerial reports were then heard, being read by the ministers present.

Reading of the Church letters by Rev. J. W. Patton. Benediction by Rev. S. L. Beougher.

Conference adjourned.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference was called to order by the President. Religious exercises by Rev. W. J. Edwards.

An ordaining presbytery, composed of Dr. G. O. Lankford, Rev. J. W. Patton and Rev. S. L. Beougher, ordained Bro. John M. Allred to the gospel ministry.

Moved and carried that Rev. J. W. Patton be granted a letter of transfer from Western North Carolina Conference to North Carolina and Virginia Conference.

Letters of greetings were received from Rev. T. E. White and Dr. Daniel Albright Long and read by the President.

The Committee on Home Missions submitted their report.

REPORT OF HOME MISSIONS.

Owing to the obligations of this local Conference to the North Carolina Christian Convention in the way of Home Missions, we can only make some recommendations.

1. That, as far as possible, our pastors investigate and do mission work in any inviting and unoccupied territory adjacent to their fields.

2. That the Christian Missionary Association of this Conference be reorganized to help finance as early as convenient, at least by the next annual Conference, at any deserving points.

3. That our Churches meet their obligation in raising their apportionments and pledges for Men and Millions, etc.

4. That a committee be appointed to report to the North Carolina Christian Conference relative to selling Christian Union property.

5. That any Church failing to secure pastoral services apply to Dr. J. O. Atkinson, secretary of missions of the Southern Christian Convention.

T. J. GREEN,
E. L. MOFFITT,
G. R. UNDERWOOD,
G. O. LANKFORD,
Committee.

Report adopted.

Discussed by Rev. T. J. Green, Dr. J. O. Atkinson and President G. R. Underwood, and adopted.

The Committee on Place of Meeting, W. L. Welch, Chairman, reported several places, but, by vote of the Conference, Randleman was chosen.

Motion made and carried that time for next session be Wednesday following the first Sunday in November, 1924.

Motion was made and carried that this Conference express its approval of the plan for the General Convention in appealing to Sunday Schools and Christian Endeavor Societies for funds for the work of the Board of Christian Education as an emergency matter.

Dr. W. A. Harper gave a few brief remarks in regard to the Church letters.

Conference adjourned. Benediction by Rev. W. N. Hayes.

SECOND DAY—EVENING SESSION.

Conference called to order by Assistant Secretary. Prayer by Rev. J. M. Allred.

Miss Lucy M. Eldredge gave an address on "Our Boys and Girls," in behalf of the Board of Religious Education of the Southern Christian Convention.

Benediction by Rev. T. J. Green.

THIRD DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Conference called to order by President Rev. G. R. Underwood. Religious exercises by Rev. J. M. Allred.

Minutes read and, after correction, were adopted.

Report on religious literature, by Dr. E. L. Moffitt. Discussed by Dr. Moffitt and Prof. P. J. Kernodle.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

We, your Committee on Religious Literature, recognizing the great need for a revival of interest in the reading and dissemination of good literature among our Churches, would recommend:

1. That our pastors and Church officials make a definite and determined effort during the coming year to get every home in the Church to agree to read a chapter or a selection from the Bible once a day.

2. That we heartily endorse *The Christian Sun,* the official organ of the in each Church to assist our managing editor in securing new subscribers and Southern Christian Convention, and urge that some definite plan be adopted renewals.

3. That we endorse *The Herald of Gospel Liberty,* the official organ of the American Christian Convention, and *The Christian Missionary,* the official organ of our Mission Board.

4. That the editors of our Church papers be requested to do all in their power to create a sentiment in favor of the reading of the Bible in all our public schools and other State institutions, and the teaching of the basic principles of Christianity in these institutions.

5. That a special effort be made by our pastors, Church and Sunday School officials during the coming year to get all our Sunday Schools, not now doing so, to use our own Sunday School literature.

E. L. MOFFITT,
HIRAM FREEMAN,
Committee.

Report adopted.

Report on Christian Endeavor read by W. C. Martin.

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR.

We, your Committee on Christian Endeavor, beg to submit the following report:

There are several organizations that are at work with the Church, or we would say the Church at work through several different channels, namely: Sunday School, Missionary Societies, Young Men's Christian Association, Young Women's Christian Association, and Christian Endeavor, and several others. Christian Endeavor appeals to us in being one of the greatest helps in training the young men and women that our Church has. We would recommend that a Christian Endeavor be organized in every Church in our Conference if trained leaders are essential, if we would have better Sunday School superintendents, better teachers, better citizens, and in fact an evergreen and growing Church. It is a Church where we have Sunday School and Christian Endeavor.

W. C. MARTIN, *Chairman.*

Discussed by F. M. Wright and Miss Lucy M. Eldredge, and adopted.

Motion made that we have our minutes published in the "Annual," and that Western North Carolina Christian Conference buy one hundred copies. Adopted.

The report on Women's Missionary Society was called for. It was read by Mrs. G. R. Underwood, discussed by Miss Pattie Coghill, and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF WOMAN'S MISSIONARY WORK.

Since your Committee on Woman's Missionary Work was appointed, during this Conference, we have no report of work done during the past year.

We realize that a world vision of service is needed in our Conference, and that we need to develop more world Christians. We know that missions is not a side line of religion, but it is the spirit around which centers the entire work of Christianity. We urge that our young people be taught the spirit of Christ, who loved all people, regardless of race or condition.

We know that the women of the Christian Church have had a great part in the mission work of our Church. Therefore, we recommend:

1. That a Woman's Board of Missions for the Western North Carolina Conference be appointed.

2. That each woman present take it upon herself to increase the mission interests and endeavor in her local Church, and organize where societies are needed.

3. That a mission study class be formed in every Woman's and Young People's Society and in the Sunday Schools where there are no societies, using the study books prepared for that purpose.

4. That more of our people subscribe to *The Christian Missionary.*

MRS. D. A. CORNELISON,
MRS. G. R. UNDERWOOD,
Committee.

Moved that we have our minutes of the Western North Carolina Christian Conference numbered Fifty-Third Annual Session. Motion adopted.

Resolved, That we extend to the members and friends of Ether Christian Church our grateful appreciation for their kind hospitality to us during the sitting of this body.

Adopted.

Standing Committees for 1924.

Executive—Dr. G. O. Lankford, Dr. J. U. Newman, Rev. S. L. Beougher.

Education—Dr. J. U. Newman, Dr. G. O. Lankford, Dr. D. A. Long.

Foreign Missions—A. K. Scotten, S. L. Beougher, J. M. Allred, W. J. Edwards.

Home Missions—T. J. Green, Dr. W. S. Long, O. D. Lawrence.

Religious Literature—C. B. Riddle, E. L. Moffitt, W. N. Hayes.

Sunday School—F. M. Wright, E. W. Brown, B. S. Moffitt.

Christian Endeavor—W. C. Martin, C. L. Bray, C. R. Scotton.

Moral Reform—C. R. Scotton, R. O. Smith, B. B. Martin.

Ladies' Missionary Society—Mrs. D. A. Cornelison, Mrs. G. R. Underwood, Mrs. H. A. Denson, Miss Pattie Coghill.

Assessment—D. A. Long, S. L. Beougher, Hiram Freeman.

Program—R. O. Smith, C. B. Riddle, G. O. Lankford.

REPORT OF CONFERENCE COLLECTIONS.

Needham's Grove	$ 25.00
High Point	35.00
Big Oak	35.06
Seagrove	45.00
Antioch, Randolph	32.50
New Center	21.80
Zion	70.00
Shady Grove	30.00
Pleasant Ridge	105.00
Center Grove	50.00
Shiloh	25.00
Park's Cross Roads	80.00
Randleman	50.00

Pleasant Union	5.00
Brown's Chapel	25.33
New Providence	80.00
Graham	75.00
Burlington	500.00
Pleasant Hill	105.00
Antioch, Chatham	11.50
Smithwood	41.43
Hank's Chapel	50.00
Ranseur	63.20
Pleasant Cross	55.00
Mt. Pleasant	20.00
Grace's Chapel	50.00
Union Grove	40.00
Asheboro	60.00
Bennett	40.00
Ether	30.00
Total	$1,855.82

F. M. WRIGHT.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

We, your Committee on Finance, beg to report that we have examined the report of F. M. Wright, Treasurer, and checked the collections from the respective Churches, and find the amount this session to be $1,855.82.

We recommend the payment of the bill to Burlington Printing Company, dated October 1, 1923, for $8.

J. L. BRAY, *Chairman.*

Report of Committee on Apportionments read and adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPORTIONMENTS.

We, your Committee on Apportionments, recommend that the amounts apportioned to the several Churches for the various Conference and Convention purposes for the coming year remain the same as for last year.

G. R. UNDERWOOD,
E. L. MOFFITT,
B. S. MOFFITT,
G. O. LANKFORD,
T. J. GREEN,
O. D. LAWRENCE,
Committee.

Report on nominations read and adopted.

REPORT ON NOMINATION.

We, the Committee on Nomination to the Southern Christian Convention, beg to submit the following nominations: Revs. T. J. Green, W. N. Hayes, S. L. Beougher, G. O. Lankford, W. J. Edwards, L. W. Fogleman, G. R. Underwood, A. K. Scotton.

A. P. GASTER,
L. W. FOGLEMAN,
J. M. ALLRED,
Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LAY DELEGATES TO S. C. C. AND NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE.

Lay Delegates to S. C. C.—F. M. Wright, D. R. Fonville, W. R. Sellers, Dr. E. L. Moffitt, H. V. Cox, W. R. Rightsell and C. L. Bray.

Lay Delegates to N. C. C.—Dr. E. L. Moffitt, O. D. Lawrence, F. M. Wright, A. P. Gaster, B. S. Moffitt, A. L. Scott, Willie Freeman, Miss Myrtle Cox, Mrs. D. A. Corneillson, Mrs. G. R. Underwood, Miss Clarice Albright, Mrs. T. A. Moffitt, J. D. Kernodle, and Mrs. W. R. Sellers.

G. O. LANKFORD,
T. J. GREEN,
W. J. EDWARDS,
Committee.

Report on Sunday Schools read and adopted.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Your Sunday School Committee begs to submit the following report:

The reports of the Sunday School Convention show that the Sunday Schools of the Church are on the increase, and we feel that no Church is fully equipped unless it maintains a Sunday School for its children. This growth, we feel, is due to the interest and devotion of the Board of Religious Education and the untiring efforts of the field secretary of the board, Miss Lucy M. Eldredge.

This Board of Religious Education is worthy of the united and devoted support of this Conference. We feel that no department of our work has so great a future as this, and no effort should be spared to support it. We therefore recommend:

1. That the workers in our Churches frequently call upon our field secretary for service and information. This will aid the secretary in her work of promoting the cause of religious education in the local Churches of the Conference.

2. That each school strive to maintain the front-line standard, and that a monthly offering be taken for our Mission Board and a monthly offering for our Orphanage.

3. That the work of week-day religious instruction and the daily vacation Bible school be endorsed by this Conference, and the value of this work be impressed upon our Churches.

4. That the Chautauqua and School of Methods, held each summer at Elon College, be heartily endorsed by this Conference, and that each local Church be urged to have a representation at this Chautauqua and School of Methods, and that each pastor be urged to call the attention of his people to this work and lead them, in every way possible, to a loyal support of it.

5. That each of the local Sunday Schools strive to give the financial aid requested and send a representation to the North Carolina Sunday School and Christian Endeavor Convention, held each year during the second week in July, and that the Sunday Schools co-operate in the Men and Millions Movement.

6. That the Committee on Sunday School and Christian Endeavor be merged into one committee. We believe that such a merger would facilitate the work of these committees.

Very respectfully submitted by your Committee on Sunday Schools.

D. C. NEESE,
F. M. WRIGHT,
Committee.

Report on foreign missions read by Secretary, discussed and adopted.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The growth of the Church is measured by, and limited to, the power and development of the missionary spirit and vision. "Where there is no vision, the people perish" applies with unvarying emphasis to the missionary vision. Since Jesus gave the command, "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature," till this good day, God in His wisdom has never prospered a Church or a people who has not sought with all its strength and power to

obey that command. We find and develop our Church life at home by losing it in Christ's name for those abroad and out yonder who have never had nor heard the gospel. The principles and government of the Christian Church are not responsible for the tragic and deplorable fact today that, after one hundred and twenty-five years of denominational existence, we have only one hundred thousand members. If we had had the missionary vision all these years and had done our best to obey the great commission of our Lord, we would today number our adherents by five hundred thousand or a million, rather than by a small fraction of that number. We might as well face the stubborn fact, and deal with it; that we cannot grow, God will not let us grow, until we become missionary in fact and in spirit.

We are now doing foreign mission work in Porto Rico and Japan. In Porto Rico a population of seventy thousand has been assigned to us Christians to try to reach with the gospel. In Japan, a population of four hundred thousand has been assigned us. Unless we carry or send the gospel to these, it will not be carried to them at all, as the other denominations have their full quota without these. They will wait in heathen darkness or die without the gospel unless we carry it to them. And the call and the need in China, in India and in Africa are as loud and as great as in Japan or Porto Rico.

We recommend:

First.—That in all our homes and in all our Churches we pray earnestly for God to give us missionaries to go out for us.

Second.—That we urge our people to give as much to preach the gospel in foreign mission fields as we give to preach the gospel at home.

Third.—That we urge our pastors and delegates to organize a Woman's Missionary Society and a Young People's Missionary Society in every Church.

Fourth.—That we, in all our Sunday Schools, have some one to speak on missions before the whole school at least once a month, and that on that Sunday an offering be taken for missions.

Fifth.—That all our Churches, at a service nearest Christmas, take a Christmas offering for missions, one-half for home, one-half for foreign missions.

Sixth.—That we appreciate what the Woman's Board has done in putting Miss Pattie Coghill in the field as a helper in organizing missionary societies in all our Churches, and that we seek this year to get Miss Coghill to each of our Churches to organize a Missionary Society.

A. K. SCOTTEN, *Chairman.*

Moved that the Secretary be authorized to draw on Treasurer to the amount needed to defray all expenses. Motion adopted.

Moved that the Secretary write Dr. W. A. Harper, asking for the Charter and all other papers and receipts of the Western North Carolina Christian Conference. Motion adopted.

Moved that the Secretary be allowed $10.00 for his service as Secretary. Motion adopted.

Moved that Conference adjourn to meet with the Randleman Christian Church, Randleman, N. C., on Wednesday after the first Sunday in November, 1924. Motion carried.

Benediction by Rev. T. J. Green.

G. R. UNDERWOOD, *President.*
W. C. MARTIN, *Secretary.*

MINISTERIAL REPORTS.

John M. Allred—Churches: Antioch, Pleasant Cross, Union Grove, Randleman. Sermons, 107; conversions, 93; lecture, 1; prayer meetings, 2; members received, 38; pastoral visits, several; burial services, 5; salary, $4.20.

S. L. Beougher—Churches: Graham and New Providence. Sermons, 110; conversions, 3; lectures, 4; marriages, 2; prayer meetings, 110; members received, 5; pastoral visits, 368; burial services, 6; salary, $1,500.

L. W. Fogleman—Churches: Patterson's Grove and Big Oak. Sermons, 29; visits, 38; salary, $184.91.

T. J. Green—Churches: Park's Cross Roads, Pleasant Ridge, Seagrove. Sermons, 98; baptized, 21; marriages, 6; members received, 27; visits, 100; burials, 11; salary, $725.

W. J. Edwards—Churches: New Center, Needham's Grove, Brown's Chapel. Sermons, 86; baptized, 8; lectures, 3; marriage, 1; new members, 10; burials, 6; salary, $300.25.

W. N. Hayes—Churches: Pleasant Union, Spoon's Chapel. Sermons, 48; conversions, 3; marriage, 1; burials, 5; no salary.

G. O. Lankford—Church: Burlington. Sermons, 115; baptized, 10; lectures, 8; marriages, 8; prayer meetings, 38; members received, 25; burials, 14; salary, $2,700.

J. W. Patton—Church: Shallow Ford. Sermons, 25; members received, 8; salary, $250.

G. R. Underwood—Churches: Bennett, Pleasant Grove, Shiloh. Sermons, 84; conversions, 6; lectures, 10; marriages, 2; prayer meetings, 8; members received, 5; visits, 100; burials, 12; salary, $455.

Statistical Table—Western North Carolina Conference.

CHURCH	PASTOR	NAME AND ADDRESS CHURCH SECRETARY	NAME AND ADDRESS S. S. SECRETARY	Church Membership	Sunday School Membership	Conference Apportionment	Paid Conference	Paid Pastor	Raised for Other Purposes	Value of Church Property
Asheboro				15	....	$ 60.00	$ 60.00			
Addor (no report)										
Antioch (R)	John M. Allred	Ora Brady, Moffitt, N. C.	Ora Brady, Moffiitt, N. C.	76	44	40.00	32.00	$ 60.41		$ 1,500
Antioch (C)	S. M. Lynam	Mattie E. Dorsett, Cumnoch, N. C.	Violet Johnson, Cumnock, N. C.	91	48	50.00	11.36	118.78	$ 65.00	2,000
Bennett	G. R. Underwood	W. A. Ward, Bennett, N. C.	J. W. Beane, Bennett, N. C.	44	70	40.00	40.00	100.00		2,500
Big Oak	L. W. Fogleman	W. P. Copeland, Eagle Sp'gs, N. C.	E. K. Freeman, Eagle Sp'gs, N. C.	122	40	80.00	35.00	128.00	17.92	600
Brown's Chapel	W. J. Edwards	Lola Sanders, Spies, N. C.	Ersie Sanders, Eagle Sp'gs, N. C.	143	65	60.00	25.33	100.00		700
Burlington	G. O. Lankford	Jas. P. Montgomery, Burlington	C. V. Sellars, Burlington, N. C.	427	383	500.00	500.00	2,700.00	3,641.09	100,000
Center Grove	B. J. Howard	Notie White, Moncure, N. C.	Oscar Griffin, Moncure, N. C.	37	34	50.00	50.00	14.00	40.00	600
Ether	J. W. Knight	Eula Freeman, Ether, N. C.	Verdie Phillips, Ether, N. C.	65	40	50.00	30.00		35.00	2,000
Graham	S.L. Beougher	J. D. Kernodle, Graham, N. C.	Turner Harden, Graham, N. C.	63	84	75.00	75.00	750.00	100.00	4,100
Graces Chapel	R. L. Williamson	R. B. Coggin, Sanford, N. C., R. 1.	Ralph Coggin, Sanford, R. 1.	132	262	50.00	50.00	132.65		1,000
Hank's Chapel										
High Point	J. W. Knight	V. D. Sheppard, High Pt., W. Side	Mrs. Myrtle Bost, High Pt., R. 5.	50	56	50.00	35.00	225.00		3,000
Liberty										
Mt. Pleasant	L. L. Wyrick	E. L. Autry, Cameron, N. C.	C. H. Marks, Over Hills, N. C.	73	72	45.00	20.00	226.40		1,000
New Center	W. J. Edwards	C. R. Albright, Seagrove, N. C.	Mittie Johnson, Seagrove, N. C.	120	31		21.80			700
New Providence	S. L. Beougher	Louis H. Holt, Graham, N. C.	Clyde Piper, Burlington, R. 9.	57	113	80.00	80.00	75.00		3,000
Parks Cross Roads	T. J. Green	R. W. York, Ramseur, N. C.	Cecil Cox, Ramseur, N. C.	205	144	125.00	80.00	300.00	145.00	2,000
Patterson's Grove	L. W. Fogleman	Jas. T. Ellison, Franklinville, N. C.	Fleta Chandler, Franklinville	31	55	8.16		47.41		500
Pleasant Cross	John M. Allred	J. H. Shane, Franklinville, N. C.	Charlie Allred, Asheboro, N. C.	67	38	55.00	55.00	109.63	35.00	1,200
Pleasant Grove	G. R. Underwood	J. Arthur Hicks, Bennett, N. C.	Albert Brown, Bennett, N. C.	226	60	145.00	30.00	200.00		1,600
Pleasant Hill	P. H. Fleming	Paul E. Coble, Liberty, N. C.	Annie Teague, Liberty, N. C.	187	150	105.00	105.00	254.40	225.00	2,000
Pleasant Ridge	T. J. Green	Carl B. Cox, Asheboro	Flora Cox, Asheboro, R. 1	151	97	105.00	105.00	225.00	51.41	2,000
Pleasant Union	W. N. Hayes	A. V. McDowell, Mechanic, N. C.	Ira McDowel, Mechanic, N. C.	17	60	5.00		16.00		500
Poplar Branch	R. L. Williamson	Florence Cox, Jonesboro N. C.	Herndon Dew, Jonesboro, N. C.	28	....			75.00		100
Ramsuer	J. H. Dollar	T. A. Moffitt, Ramsuer, N. C.	C. A Ward, Ramsuer	94	84	60.00	63.20	270.00	80.05	2,0
Randleman	John M. Allred	Chas. F. Swaney, Randleman	J. V. Laughlin, Randleman, N. C.	81	150	50.00	50.00	133.00		2,000
Shady Grove	J. W. Knight	Mrs. D. F. Hulin, Martin's Mill.	Nannie B. Alen, Martin's Mill.	48	35	50.00	30.00	102.15	20.50	900
Shiloh	G. R. Underwood	B. S. Moffitt, Ramsuer, R. 1	Numa Rumley, Kemps Mill	103	73		25.00	155.03	70.00	1,000
Smithwood	M. T. Sorrell	W. D. Humble, Liberty, N. C.	Varnie Smith, Liberty, N. C.	98	78	50.00	40.00	150.00	30.00	800
Spoons Cahpel	W. N. Hayes									
Union Grove	John M. Allred	W. R. Brown, Asheboro, R. 1	Allie Brown, Asheboro, R. 1	72	103	65.00	40.00	120.00	33.00	1,000
Zion	J. E. Franks	T.E. Farrell, Moncure	W. C. Farrell, Moncure, N. C.	175	102	70.00	70.00	200.00	25.00	1,000
Needham's Grove	W. J.Edwards	A. L. Scott, Steeds, N. C., R. 1	J. T. Williamson, Steeds, N. C.	52	76	25.00	25.00	100.00	25.00	1,200
Seagrove	T. J. Green	Mrs. D. A. Corneilson, Seagrove	Lizzie Lawrence, Seagrove, N. C.	36	60	45.00	45.00	200.00	35.00	25.00
Totals				3186	2707	$ 2,193.16	$ 1,828.69	$ 8,088.81	$ 4,673.97	$ 145,000

Proceedings of the Ninety-Eighth Annual Session of the North Carolina and Virginia Christian Conference

BETHLEHEM CHURCH, ALAMANCE COUNTY, N. C.

NOVEMBER 13, 14, 15, 1923.

The North Carolina and Virginia Christian Conference met in annual session with the Bethlehem Church, Altamahaw, N. C., on November 13, 1923, and was called to order by the President, Dr. P. H. Fleming, at 7:15 P. M.

Devotional services conducted by Dr. Fleming. Prayer led by Rev. W. S. Long.

The roll was called, and members present enrolled.

Complete enrollment for the session.

Ministers—Revs. J. F. Apple, J. O. Atkinson, J. S. Carden, H. R. Clem, G. C. Crutchfield, P. H. Fleming, C. E. Gerringer, H. B. Hall, S. C. Harrell, A. H. Hook, A. F. Iseley, J. W. Knight, J. A. Ledbetter, W. S. Long, S. M. Lynam, J. E. McCauley, J. U. Newman, N. G. Newman, C. H. Rowland, W. T. Scott, W. W. Skellette, J. W. Wellons, L. L. Wyrick.

Licentiates—H. E. Crutchfield, I. T. Underwood, R. H. Coble.

Churches and Delegates.

Apple's Chapel—Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Huffines, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Apple.

Belew Creek—By letter.

Berea—E. S. Sutton, Mrs. L. D. Kernodle.

Bethel—J. F. O'Ferrell, J. H. King, R. P. Shaw.

Bethlehem—Carl Gilliam, D. W. Gilliam, R. T. Kernodle.

Concord—W. B. Alred.

Danville—W. H. Williams, W. E. Alderson, N. D. Jarrett, A. W. Haraway.

Durham—Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Hessee.

Elon College—W. A. Harper, J. C. McAdams, Mrs. N. G. Newman, C. H. Atkins.

Goshen Chapel—No report.

Greensboro, First Church—Mrs. O. P. Shelton, H. V. Simpson.

Greensboro, Palm Street—Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Hinshaw, Mrs. James Smith, Mrs. A. J. Harris.

Happy Home—J. H. Richmond, Miss Stella Richmond.

Haw River—W. E. Cook, Miss Emma Thomas.

Hebron, Va.—By letter.
Hines Chapel—C. L. Iseley, P. W. Iseley.
Hopedale—By letter.
Howard's Chapel—Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Madison.
Ingram—Misses Louise Dunn, Nannie Sue Dunn, Sallie Kate Ingram.
Kallam Grove—No report.
Lebanon—T. J. Earp, W. L. Taylor.
Liberty—By letter.
Long's Chapel—J. H. Cates, Mrs. J. F. Apple.
Monticello—A. D. Gerringer, Holt Gerringer.
Mt. Bethel—J. G. Price.
Mt. Zion—Julius Pace.
New Hope (R)—No report.
New Lebanon—J. N. McCollam, S. A. Harris, Miss Hazel M. Sharps.
Pleasant Grove, Va.—W. O. Farmer.
Pleasant Ridge (G)—W. M. Crutchfield, W. J. Stafford.
Reidsville—D. E. Mitchell, J. H. Turner.
Salem Chapel—Miss Frankye V. Marshall.
Shallow Ford—W. E. Walker, J. H. Murray.
Union, N. C.—J. D. Wilkins, J. H. Wilkins.
Union, Va.—By letter.

On motion, the President was authorized to appoint special committees on nominations, auditing, memoirs, resolutions, place of meeting, collectors, and press.

On motion, the program, as submitted by the Program Committee, was approved as the order of business for this session, subject to such changes a Conference may order.

On motion, Mr. Hermon Eldredge, Dr. J. P. Barrett, Superintendent Chas. D. Johnston, Prof. P. J. Kernodle, Dr. G. O. Lankford, and Rev. J. H. Dollar were invited to seats as deliberative members.

On motion, Conference voted to hear Mr. Hermon Eldredge on "Christian Union" at 11 A. M. Wednesday.

The following committees were appointed:

Nominations—N. G. Newman, H. V. Simpson, J. O. Atkinson.
Press—S. M. Lynam, S. C. Harrell, J. P. Barrett, Misses Lucy Eldredge and Pattie Coghill.
Moral Reform—H. E. Crutchfield, L. L. Wyrick.

Rev. Stanley C. Harrell preached the Conference sermon, using as his subject, "The Goal of the Christian Church."

Benediction by Dr. J. U. Newman.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Conference called to order by the President.

Devotional services led by Rev. G. C. Crutchfield.

The Executive Committee's report was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

In pursuance of a resolution adopted at the last session of the North Carolina Conference, your committee met at the residence of Rev. J. W. Holt, Burlington, N. C., March 28, 1923, and reorganized the North Carolina and Virginia Christian Conference as follows:

Officers—President, P. H. Fleming; Secretary, W. A. Harper; Treasurer, W. J. *Graham.*

Executive Committee—P. H. Fleming, J. W. Holt, N. G. Newman.

Committee on Education—J. O. Atkinson, J. W. Wellons, P. T. Klapp, N. G. Newman.

Home Missions—W. P. Lawrence, D. L. Boone, S. A. Caviness, W. A. Harper, P. H. Fleming.

Foreign Missions—P. T. Klapp, J. W. Holt, J. C. McAdams.

Sunday School and Christian Endeavor—J. G. Truitt, J. F. Apple, J. W. Knight.

Moral Reform—C. E. Newman, J. S. Carden, F. C. Lester.

Woman's Board—Mesdames M. F. Cook, Charles R. Clark, W. A. Harper, L. M. Clymer, J. H. Farmer, J. D. Kernodle, J. G. Anthony, and Rev. H. S. Hardcastle.

Religious Literature—S. C. Harrell, J. E. McCauley, N. F. Brannock.

Apportionments—J. H. Wilkins, W. A. Harper, L. M. Clymer.

Tabulation—L. L. Wyrick, W. E. Cook, Carl H. Gilliam.

Program—P. H. Fleming, W. A. Harper, J. O. Atkinson.

The officers and the committees were notified of their election to these positions, and the full reorganization published in *The Christian Sun.*

Bethlehem Christian Church, Alamance County, was chosen for holding the 1923 session, and November 13th fixed as the date.

We also, at a later date, granted Rev. H. S. Hardcastle a letter of transfer to the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference.

P. H. FLEMING,
J. W. HOLT,
N. G. NEWMAN,
Committee.

Dr. C. H. Rowland, Rev. H. B. Hall, and Rev. J. W. Patton were, on motion, received into the Conference by letters of transfer.

On motion, Superintendent Chas. D. Johnston was asked to address the Conference today.

The President announced the following special committees:

Auditing—H. C. Simpson, J. C. McAdams, C. E. Gerringer.

Memoirs—J. O. Atkinson, J. W. Wellons, J. U. Newman.

Resolutions—J. E. McCauley, A. H. Hook, W. T. Scott.

Place of Meeting—G. C. Crutchfield, A. D. Gerringer.

Collectors—W. E. Cook, W. O. Farmer.

On motion, the Conference instructed the Nominating Committee to nominate five members of the Home Mission Board, as follows: the President of Conference, ex officio; one member for one year, one for two years, one for three years, and one for four years.

Dr. P. H. Fleming delivered the annual address, using as his subject, "Modernism versus the Old Paths."

On motion, Dr. Fleming was asked to furnish a copy of his address for publication in *The Christian Sun.*

The Nominating Committee made the following nominations for Conference officers:

President—Rev. P. H. Fleming.
Vice-President—Rev. C. H. Rowland.
Secretary—Rev. Stanley C. Harrell.
Assistant Secretary—W. A. Harper.
Treasurer—W. J. Graham.

On motion, these nominees were elected.

On motion, the report of the Committee on Sunday Schools and Christian Endeavor was adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR.

1. That this Conference endorse whatever plans and programs the Board of Christian Education of the General Christian Convention have undertaken, and especially as they are adapted to our Sunday Schools and Christian Endeavor Societies, because if we are to succeed as a great Church we must have our programs centralized and unified.

2. That we give our hearty support to the Board of Religious Education of the Southern Christian Convention, and that we commend the fine work of our field secretary, Miss Lucy Eldredge.

3. That we urge each Sunday School and Christian Endeavor Society to send four delegates, at least, from each Sunday School, and two from each Christian Endeavor Society, and pay their expenses, wherever possible, to the Chautauqua and School of Methods at Elon College.

4. That we urge all pastors and officers and teachers of our Sunday Schools and Christian Endeavor Societies to attend our summer convention.

5. That each church hold a Daily Vacation Bible School some time during the summer.

6. That this Conference express its approval to the Executive Committee of the Southern Christian Convention of the plan of the General Convention in appealing for funds from the Sunday Schools and Christian Endeavor Societies of our Conference for the work of the Board of Christian Education, as an emergency measure.

7. That we request the pastors and churches of this Conference not to put on any special services of any kind that conflict with Chautauqua Week, July 30th to August 5th.

J. G. TRUITT,
J. F. APPLE,
J. W. KNIGHT,
Committee.

Mr. Hermon Eldredge delivered an address on "The Program of Christian Education of the Christian Church."

Miss Lucy M. Eldredge addressed the Conference on the "Plans and Purposes of the Board of Religious Education of the Southern Christian Convention."

Mr. Eldredge presented the claims of the Sunday School literature and the other publications of our Church.

Benediction by Rev. J. A. Ledbetter.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Devotional services conducted by Rev. W. T. Scott.

On motion, the report of the Committee on Moral Reform was adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MORAL REFORM.

1. That the leaders and laymen of our Church apply, in both public and private life, the principles as set forth in the Sermon on the Mount.

2. That we co-operate in every way possible in destroying all social evils which confront us today, such as gambling, dancing, card-playing, mob violence, etc.

3. That we endorse public amusements only in so far as they are clean, wholesome, and elevating.

4. We recommend that we, as a Church and as a Conference, express our condemnation against every immoral agency of whatever nature, kind or type, especially Sabbath desecration and lawlessness.

J. S. Carden,
H. E. Crutchfield,
L. L. Wyrick,
Committee.

On motion, the report of the Committee on Religious Literature was adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS LIETRATURE.

There is today a veritable flood of literature, dealing with every conceivable phase of religious life and work. Much of it is really helpful; some of it is interest; and not a small part of it is absolutely dangerous. If you are going to read extensively in the field of religious literature, unless you are thoroughly grounded in the Word of God, read nothing that is not recommended by some one whose judgment and discrimination you can trust.

Our denominational publications—*The Christian Sun, The Herald of Gospel Liberty, The Christian Missionary*—and the various publications on Christian education are excellent. They compare most favorably with those published by the stronger denominations, and deserve a wider circulation and a more careful reading.

The one indispensable book for the Christian, and the one the average Christian knows least about, is the Bible—"The sword of the Spirit, which is the Word of God." We would not be too critical, but it seems to us that each succeeding generation knows less about the Word of God as the sword of the Spirit. The old chimney-corner saint of the past generation, whose reading was halting and tedious, but whose heart was enlightened by the Spirit, had a better working knowledge of the Bible than many of our modern high school and college graduates. Our uniform Sunday School Lessons, though they have much to commend their use, are failing to give the knowledge of the power and use of the Word of God. Our only recommendation is that we go back to the prayerful study of God's Book to find the way of righteousness and salvation.

Stanley C. Harrell,
J. E. McCauley,
Committee.

Pending the adoption of the above report, Dr. J. P. Barrett spoke on "The Church Paper in the Christian Home."

On motion, the report of the Home Mission Board was adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF HOME MISSION BOARD.

The Mission Board is of the opinion that the present and future demands of the denomination are such as to make the mobilization of Home Mission, as well as of other funds, as nearly complete as possible:

Therefore, the Home Mission Board recommends that the Treasurer of this Conference be, and is hereby, directed to pay over forthwith all Home Mission funds in his possession to the Treasurer of the North Carolina Conference.

This board recommends further that this Conference encourage its constituency to support as liberally as possible, in word and deed, the Mission Board of the Southern Christian Convention, and that this Conference hereby go on record as favoring the administration of all of its Home Mission funds and Foreign Mission funds through the Mission Board of the Southern Christian Convention, after the above-named financial obligations shall have been fully discharged.

W. P. LAWRENCE,
W. A. HARPER,
P. H. FLEMING,
Mission Board.

On motion, the report of the Committee on Foreign Missions was adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

On September 1, 1923, Japan was visited by one of the most disastrous earthquakes in the history of modern times, destroying multitudes of people and many millions worth of property and business. In this great disaster, in which more than a quarter of a million of lives were reported lost, not one of our missionaries lost his or her life. For this we are profoundly grateful! A number of our buildings were badly damaged. Because of this disaster, we are compelled to urge our people to make the most liberal offerings for our Japan work, that we may quickly re-establish it and so give it a chance to go on winning souls for Christ. At this coming Christmas time, we hope many liberal donations may be made for that work.

We are in need of more missionaries. Let us adopt the Master's way of recruiting—pray the Lord of the harvest to send more laborers. While we can expect only a few to go to the foreign field to labor, many must give of their means to support the work. Every true Christian should be much in prayer for the blessings of God upon both the home and foreign fields in the work we are seeking to do in His name.

P. T. KLAPP,
J. C. MCADAMS,
Committee.

On motion, the report of the Committee on Education was adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

1. Your committee received from the Alabama Christian Conference official notice that said Conference had unanimously voted that Licentiate J. H. Dollar be ordained an elder, and since Bro. Dollar could not be present at his Conference this year, the Alabama Conference requests the North Carolina and Virginia Conference to ordain him, and we recommend that this request be granted.

2. Archie Hine Hook, of the Elon Christian Church, licensed at Hines Chapel by this Conference one year ago, is now a member of the senior class at Elon College, and has served three Churches as pastor the past year, all of which Churches request his ordination. After due examination by your committee, we deem him qualified, and recommend his ordination.

3. William Tate Scott, member First Christian Church, Greensboro, N. C., licensed at Danville, Va., two years ago, has served four Churches the past year, all of whom request his ordination. After due examination by your committee, he is deemed qualified, and we recommend his ordination. He is

a member of the senior class in Elon College and requests a loan of $150 to enable him to graduate; and we recommend that same be granted.

4. Sion Milton Lynam, of the Elon College Christian Church, was licensed at Park's Cross Roads Church three years ago and has served Churches since that date. Antioch Christian Church, of which he has been pastor the past three years, recommends that he be ordained. After due examination by your committee, we deem him qualified, and recommend his ordination. He is a member of the senior class of Elon College, and requests a loan of $150 to enable him to graduate. We recommend same be granted.

5. Rev. G. C. Crutchfield, previously ordained an elder, is a member of the senior class in Elon College, has served successfully in the pastorate the past year, and requests a loan of $200 to enable him to graduate. We recommend that same be granted.

6. Licentiate H. E. Crutchfield reported that he has served as pastor of one Church the past year, is pursuing his studies in Elon College as a member of the sophomore class, and, we are advised, is making commendable progress. He is open for other work the coming year, and we recommend him to the favorable consideration of any Church needing his services.

7. Your committee received the attached communication from the Presbyterian Synod of North Carolina, in session in Graham, October 9-11, 1923, relative to the teaching of the Bible in State colleges. We submit the communication as presented to us, and recommend its favorable consideration by this body.

8. Licentiate R. H. Coble made his annual report to your committee, showing that he remains loyal and faithful to his Church and Conference as a licentiate, and while, because of health and local conditions, he has not been able to do much preaching, he has been deeply interested in his local Church and Sunday School, and has rendered faithful service there. We commend him for his zeal, and recommend that his license be continued.

9. Licentiate I. T. Underwood reported that he had served as pastor of one Church the past year. He is recommended to be continued as a licentiate.

10. Rev. W. W. Skellette, Reidsville, N. C., of the Free Will Baptist Church, makes application to become a member as an ordained elder of this body. He comes with proper letters of recommendation and transfer from the Free Will Baptist Church, where he is in good standing and in which he has had several years' experience as pastor. We recommend that he be received as an elder in this Conference.

J. O. ATKINSON,
N. G. NEWMAN,
J. W. WELLONS,
Committee.

Dr. J. W. Wellons indulged in a few remarks reminiscent of the history of the past.

Benediction by Rev. J. S. Carden.

SECOND DAY—EVENING SESSION.

Devotional service led by Rev. S. M. Lynam.

Superintendent Chas. D. Johnston made an urgent appeal for a liberal Thanksgiving offering from the Churches.

Address, "Stewardship and the Great Commission," Dr. J. O. Atkinson.

Prof. Hook showed views of the Elon fire, and the rebuilding activities.

Dr. W. A. Harper announced that the written records of the Conference were destroyed in the fire.

The President appointed Drs. W. S. Long, N. G. Newman and J. O. Atkinson an ordaining presbytery.

On motion, President Fleming was added to the presbytery.

Prayer and benediction by Rev. H. B. Hall.

THIRD DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Conference called to order by the President.

Devotional services conducted by Rev. J. S. Carden.

Prayer led by Rev. J. W. Wellons, D. D.

On motion, Rev. S. L. Beougher was invited to a seat as a deliberative member.

Moved and carried that this Conference elect three representatives to meet and confer with similar committees from other denominations regarding the teaching of the Bible in State institutions Drs. P. H. Fleming, W. A. Harper, J. O. Atkinson were elected for said committee.

Moved and carried that the Secretary be instructed to have the minutes of this session printed in "The Christian Annual," and that the Conference take 200 copies for pro rata distribution among the Churches.

On motion, the Secretary was instructed to edit minutes for publication.

On motion, the Secretary was authorized to purchase a permanent record book and collect printed minutes of past sessions.

On motion, the Secretary was authorized to have draft book printed, and to draw drafts for moneys ordered paid by this Conference.

The Treasurer reported amount collected to date from the Churches. The reports not being complete, the Secretary was instructed to make complete report in tabulated statistics.

Report of Nominating Committee for Boards and Delegations:

Home Mission Board—P. H. Fleming; ex officio; W. T. Scott, one year; J. A. Ledbetter, two years; J. D. Wilkins, three years; W. P. Lawrence, four years.

Delegates to the North Carolina Conference—W. B. Truitt, A. D. Gerringer, A. H. Hinshaw, W. A. Harper, J. C. McAdams, W. D. Walker, A. B. Farmer, D. L. Boone, W. E. Cook, W. J. Graham, R. T. Kernodle, L. D. Rippey, Mrs. W. A. Harper, Mrs. N. G. Newman, Miss Christine Thompson, J. W. Michael, L. V. Smith, N. D. Jarrett, Clyde Iseley, Mrs. J. P. Avent, Mrs. W. H. Boone, D. E. Michael.

Delegates to the Southern Christian Convention.

Ministers—J. W. Wellons, J. O. Atkinson, J. F. Apple, C. H. Rowland, W. S. Long, F. C. Lester, H. S. Smith, C. E. Gerringer, P. T. Klapp, C. E. Newman, J. U. Newman, J. G. Truitt.

Alternates—J. S. Carden, S. M. Lynam, A. H. Hook, J. A. Ledbetter, L. L. Wyrick, J. W. Knight, W. T. Scott, J. E. McCauley, G. C. Crutchfield, A. F. Iseley, W. W. Skellette, H. B. Hall.

Laymen—H. C. Simpson, A. B. Farmer, W. B. Truitt, W. P. Lawrence, J. C. McAdams, Mrs. W. A. Harper, W. H. Boone, W. J. Graham, R. T. Kernodle, J. D. Wilkins, Walter Taylor, Mrs. Stanley C. Harrell.

Alternates—L. M. Clymer, H. V. Simpson, W. B. Miles, J. W. Dixon, D. W. Brown, W. E. Cook, T. J. Earp, W. J. Stafford, C. M. Gerringer, W. O. Farmer, W. M. Crutchfield, H. E. Crutchfield.

On motion, the above-named nominees were elected.

On motion, the Executive Committee was authorized to fill any vacancies in above delegations.

The committee presented the following memoir of Bro. Holt:

REV. JEREMIAH WOOD HOLT.

BORN DECEMBER 7, 1848—DIED AUGUST 3, 1923.

Your Committee on Memoirs knows of no more fitting tribute to be paid to the memory of our fallen comrade and brother in Christ than that of Dr. W. W. Staley, spoken on the day of the funeral, in the Burlington Christian Church, and printed in *The Christian Sun* August 30, 1923.

The passing of Rev. Jeremiah Wood Holt, of Burlington, N. C., removes from active service in the Christian Church a conspicuous figure in the North Carolina Christian Conference. For nearly fifty years he had taught school, preached, and filled official positions in his Church and Alamance County. He came of sturdy parentage, and lost none of the qualities of his ancestors. He had convictions, with courage that was sometimes considered stubborn. His lifework was, therefore, rigid in teaching and in his own practice. He was free from deceit, flattery, or palliation. His motives were better than his speech. He prided himself in not being afraid to say what he thought. He was stern in his nature, dogmatic in his preaching, and loyal to his Church. Success did not elate him, defeat did not discourage him, and continuous work was the soul of his ministry.

As a man, he was genuine; as a student, he was painstaking; as a pastor, he was devoted to his flock. Exemplary in business, faithful in his domestic relations, and true in his friendships. He was twice married, and died without children. His first wife was Miss Bettie Whitsett, a woman of rare religious and domestic qualities, who passed away in the triumphs of an unshaken faith in Jesus Christ. His second wife was Miss Mollie E. Tarpley, who survives her husband, after filling her place as his companion in sickness as in health. She has the sympathy and prayers of a large circle of friends, and has the faith to trust Him whom her husband served.

Thirty years ago he was considered a radical on the subject of temperance. He advocated that course when it was unpopular, and lived to see prohibition incorporated in the Constitution of the United States and ratified by a majority of the States. The radical of thirty years ago is the conservative of today. His reputation in this field of service spread over his native State, and that work, no doubt, was the crowning feature of his ministerial career. The reason for his life advocacy of the temperance cause lay deep in his soul, and found utterance in his speech and in his vote. It was the most outstanding characteristic thing in his ministry; and he meant it to be so. The result of temperance in the prohibition of the liquor traffic in this nation shows us that Bro. Holt was a forelooking and far-looking minister; or, in modern phrase, a man of vision. He has passed to his reward, but his works do follow him.

A very large congregation filled the Burlington Christian Church on Saturday afternoon, August 4th, including many preachers from the Elon College Chautauqua, and the service was simple, sincere and sacred. Pastor G. O. Lankford, P. T. Klapp, and W. W. Staley, student associates in the old Graham School, and P. H. Fleming, associate in county board work, were on the platform and took part in the service. A trio of ladies rendered hymns; men who had been students acted as pallbearers, and ladies who had been his students carried the abundance of flowers.

J. O. ATKINSON,
J. U. NEWMAN,
J. W. WELLONS,
Committee.

On motion, the above tribute was made a part of the minutes of this Conference.

The Committee on Resolutions reported as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

1. *Resolved,* That this Conference go on record as extending a rising vote of thanks to the Bethlehem Christian Church and the community for the kindness and hospitality shown this body while in session here.

2. *Resolved,* That we extend a rising vote of thanks to the officers of the Conference for the arrangement and execution of the program.

3. *Resolved,* That we express our gratitude to Almighty God for the spirit of brotherly love and fellowship that has prevailed throughout the sitting of this Conference.

J. E. MCCAULEY,
A. H. HOOK,
W. T. SCOTT,
Committee.

The resolutions were adopted by a unanimous standing vote.

The report of the Committee on Place of Meeting was adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PLACE OF MEETING.

Apples Chapel has invited the Conference to hold the next session in that Church. We recommend that the invitation be accepted.

G. C. CRUTCHFIELD, *Chairman.*

Moved and carried that in the future the Secretary be requested to tabulate reports and ministerial letters for the minutes, and that the Tabulating Committee be discontinued.

The report of the Auditing Committee was adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF AUDITING COMMITTEE.

We recommend the payment of bills to the Burlington Printing Company to the amount of $8 for report blanks and printed cards.

H. C. SIMPSON,
J. C. MCADAMS,
C. E. GERRINGER,
Committee.

On motion, the report of the Budget Committee was adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF BUDGET COMMITTEE.

We recommend that this committee be known in the future as the Budget Committee instead of as the Apportionment Committee. Our thought is that the apportionments are in no sense an assessment, but suggestions to the Churches as to what is needed as a minimum to carry on the work of the Conference and its enterprises.

We recommend that each Church be asked at once to adopt this suggested amount as part of its local budget, and that the Secretary of the Conference so notify the secretary of each Church in writing.

We recommend that each Church take steps at once to raise its local budget, including the Conference budget, by an every-member canvass, using the envelope system of payment, weekly or monthly, or semi-monthly, as the Church has preaching service, and that the Conference budget be remitted to the Treasurer of Conference quarterly—on February 1, May 1, August 1, and November 1—he to give the Conference a report of what has been thus paid in at the annual meeting. We recommend that the Mission Secretary of the Southern Christian Convention be asked to aid our Churches in making this plan effective.

We regret to report that some two or three Churches have asked for a reduction in their part of the Conference budget, alleging in every case that it is too much. These Churches are honestly mistaken. The trouble is not that the Churches are asked to raise too much money, but with our lack of system and of biblical methods of raising it. We say it deliberately—our Churches can pay to the Conference budget ten times what we are now paying, if we will use the every-member canvass and tithe our incomes.

We, therefore, recommend that the budget for the ensuing year be exactly the same as last year, with th hope that some Churches will voluntarily increase their gifts. We promise every such Church the opening of the windows of heaven for it and an outpouring of divine blessings such as it has not conceived to be possible.

Budget by Churches for 1924.

Apple's Chapel, $225; Belew Creek, $100; Berea, $90; Bethel (C), $80; Bethlehem (A), $225; Concord, $40; Danville, Va., $100; Durham, $350; Elon College, $350; Goshen Chapel, $25; Greensboro, First Church, $350; Greensboro, Palm Street, $90; Happy Home, $100; Haw River, $120; Hebron, Va., $130; Hines' Chapel, $165; Hopedale, $25; Howard's Chapel, $45; Ingram, Va., $150; Kallam Grove, $25; Lebanon, $200; Liberty, Va., $60; Long's Chapel, $75; Monticello, $45; Mt. Bethel, $90; Mt. Zion, $50; New Hope (R), $25; New Lebanon, $110; Pleasant Grove, Va., $300; Pleasant Ridge (G), $70; Reidsville, $60; Salem Chapel, $65; Shallow Ford, $100; Union, N. C., $225; Union, Va., $175—total, $4,435.

We recommend the same percentages of distribution as heretofore of the Conference budget, as follows:

		Per Cent
To the Southern Christian Convention of totals		75
Distributed as follows:		
To Convention missions	31	
To schools and colleges	31	
To foreign missions	31	
To Convention fund	7	
Total	100	
To home missions		13½
To ministerial education		2½
To Conference fund		5
To superannuation		4
Total		100

We recommend that one-third the Conference fund be paid the North Carolina Christian Conference for its expenses.

We recommend that $200 each for superannuation and the Board of Religious Education of the Southern Christian Convention be deducted from the total receipts before the percentages are made.

We recommend that the Secretary of the Conference endeavor to get any Church not remitting at the Conference session to send him its remittance, and that he include the same in the Collector's report.

We further recommend that, then the Secretary percentage the funds in hand and draw drafts to the proper persons and officials.

J. H. WILKINS,
W. A. HARPER,
Committee.

Address, "Avenues of Evangelism," by Rev. J. A. Ledbetter.

Drs. P. H. Fleming, W. S. Long, N. G. Newman, and J. O. Atkinson, as an ordaining presbytery, ordained J. H. Dollar, S. M. Lynam, W. T. Scott and A. H. Hook as elders in the gospel ministry of the Christian Church.

The President appointed the following standing committees:

Executive—P. H. Fleming, N. G. Newman, S. C. Harrell.

Education—J. O. Atkinson, W. S. Long, C. H. Rowland, J. W. Wellons, J. U. Newman.

Home Missions (Elected)—P. H. Fleming, J. A. Ledbetter, W. P. Lawrence, W. T. Scott, J. D. Wilkins.

Foreign Missions—P. T. Klapp, G. C. Crutchfield, Mrs. J. P. Avent.

Sunday Schools and Christian Endeavor—J. F. Apple, W. T. Scott, Miss Pattie Coghill.

Moral Reform—S. M. Lynam, J. S. Carden, J. W. Knight.

Religious Literature—J. E. McCauley, J. W. Patton, J. G. Truitt.

Budget—W. A. Harper, J. H. Wilkins, H. C. Simpson.

Program—C. E. Gerringer, J. O. Atkinson, P. H. Fleming.

Moved and carried that the Southern Christian Convention be memorialized to change the name of Moral Reform Committee to the Committee on Public Welfare and Relief.

Moved and carried that the name of Sunday School and Christian Endeavor Committee be changed to Religious Education Committee.

Moved and carried that the time of the annual session of this Conference be Tuesday after the second Sunday in November.

On motion, the Conference granted the request of Rev. S. L. Beougher to omit his sermon from the morning program, on condition that he furnish same for publication in *The Christian Sun.*

The Communion service was administered by Revs. N. G. Newman and S. L. Beougher.

Minutes of this session of Conference were read and approved.

On motion, the Conference adjourned, to meet Tuesday after the second Sunday in November, 1924, with Apple's Chapel Christian Church.

P. H. FLEMING, *President.*
Burlington, N. C.

STANLEY C. HARRELL, *Secretary.*
Durham, N. C.

ABSTRACT OF MINISTERIAL REPORTS.

J. F. Apple—Churches: Long's Chapel, Mt. Zion and Bethlehem. Sermons, 83; conversions, 40; baptisms, 33; marriages, 3; prayer meetings, 4; members received, 35; pastoral visits, 90; funerals, 6; salary, $724.60.

J. O. Atkinson—Mission Secretary of the Southern Christian Convention. Sermons, 78; addresses, 75; marriages, 2; funerals, 3.

J. S. Carden—Churches: Bethel, Good Hope, Hank's Chapel, Damascus. Sermons, 96; baptisms, 15; marriages, 3; received, 15; funerals, 10; salary, $800.

H. Russell Clem—Church: Greensboro, First. Sermons, 107; conversions, 21; baptisms, 11; addresses, 2; marriages, 2; prayer meetings, 48; members received, 25; funerals, 4; salary, $3,000.

R. H. Coble—Licentiate; no charge. Prayer meetings, 3.

G. C. Crutchfield—Churches: Greensboro Palm Street, Hew Hope. Sermons, 100; conversions, 41; baptisms, 25; address, 1; marriage, 1; members received, 25; visits, 350; funerals, 6; salary, $800.

H. E. Crutchfield—Licentiate; Church: Hopedale. Sermons, 25; conversions, 10; visits, 40; salary, $78.80.

T. B. Dawson—No charge. Addresses, 7; prayer meetings, 2.

P. H. Fleming—Churches: Union (N. C.), Pleasant Hill (A), Haw River. Sermons, 74; conversions, 45; baptisms, 11; marriages, 7; prayer meetings, 30; members received, 18; visits, 130; funerals, 13.

Stanley C. Harrell—Churches: Durham, O'Kelley's Chapel. Sermons, 125; conversions, 32; baptisms, 22; addresses, 8; marriages, 17; prayer meetings, 25; members received, 48; visits, 300; funerals, 9; salary, $2,075.

A. H. Hook—Churches: Amelia, Pleasant Ridge, Salem Chapel. Sermons, 58 conversions, 3; prayer meetings, 8; visits, 115; funerals, 2; salary, $525.

A. F. Iseley—Sermons, 9; baptisms, 4; marriages, 2; funerals, 14.

P. T. Klapp—Churches: Danville, Mebane. Sermons, 82; conversions, 60; baptisms, 16; members received, 26; visits, 303; funerals, 3; salary, $700.48.

J. W. Knight—Churches: High Point, Moore Union, Ether, Sandy Grove, New Lebanon, Howard's Chapel. Sermons, 105; conversions, 75; baptisms, 30; addresses, 3; prayer meetings, 5; received, 35; visits, 25; funerals, 10; salary, $900.

J. A. Ledbetter—Church: Reidsville. Sermons, 98; baptisms, 26; addresses, 20; prayer meetings, 42; received, 33; visits, 1,200; funerals, 6; salary, $1,400.

F. C. Lester—Student at Yale; Church: Schultzville, N. Y. Sermons, 40; marriage, 1; visits, 100; funerals, 3; salary, $800.

W. S. Long—No charge. Sick much of the year.

Sion M. Lynam—Church: Antioch (C). Sermons, 19; addresses, 2; visits, 47; salary, $125.

J. E. McCauley—Churches: Pleasant Grove (Va.), Ingram. Sermons, 99; conversions, 27; baptisms, 23; addresses, 2; marriage, 1; prayer meetings, 3; members received, 31; visits, 250; funerals, 4; salary, $1,000.

C. E. Newman—Churches: Union (Va.), Hebron, Liberty, Lebanon. Sermons, 90; conversions, 20; baptisms, 15; marriages, 15; prayer meetings, 15; members received, 17; visits, 200; funerals, 12; salary, $1,000.

J. U. Newman—Teacher, Elon. Sermons, 4; addresses, 10; prayer meetings, 4.

N. G. Newman—Church: Elon College. Sermons, 50; addresses, 3; marriages, 2; prayer meetings, 40; received, 8; visits, 150; funerals, 3; salary, $1,900.

W. T. Scott—Churches: Auburn, Belews Creek, Berea, Kallam Grove, Mt. Bethel. Sermons, 74; conversions, 51; prayer meetings, 6; members received, 40; visits, 95; funerals, 6; salary, $725.

H. Shelton Smith—Secretary of Administration and Leadership, G. C. C.

J. G. Truitt—Student at Princeton. Sermons, 10; addresses, 6; funerals, 1.

J. W. Wellons—Co-pastor Elon College. Chaplain Masons' Eastern Star Home.

L. L. Wyrick—Churches: Happy Home, Concord, Mt. Pleasant. Sermons, 60; conversions, 30; baptisms, 23; addresses, 23; marriage, 1; prayer meetings, 13; members received, 27; visits, 370; funerals, 5; salary, $550.

I. T. Underwood—Licentiate; Church: New Hill. Sermons, 15; prayer meetings, 6; members received, 5; visits, 35; funeral, 1; salary, $100.

Statistical Table—North Carolina and Virginia Conference.

CHURCH	PASTOR	NAME AND ADDRESS CHURCH SECRETARY	NAME AND ADDRESS S. S. SECRETARY	Church Membership	Sunday School Membership	Conference Apportionment	Paid Conference	Paid Pastor	Raised for Other Purposes	Value of Church Property
Apple's Chapel	C. E. Gerringer	D. E. Michael, McLeansville, N. C.		360	48	$ 225.00	$ 143.89	$		$ 12,000
Belew Creek	W. T. Scott	Jas. G. Fulton, Belew Creek, N. C.	A. W. Pegram, Belew Creek, N. C.	109	91	100.00	50.00	200.00	112.00	1,500
Berea	W. T. Scott	B. M. Bennette, Elon College, N. C.	Sanford Simpson, Altamahaw	105	136	90.00	70.00	250.00	47.78	3,000
*Bethe (C)		J. F. O'Farrell, Union Ridge, N. C.	Elane Fitch, Union Ridge, N. C.	119	43	80.00	80.00	200.00	65.50	1,700
*Bethlehem (A)	J. F. Apple	Clyde Iseley, Burlington, N. C.	Annie Michael, Altamahaw, N. C.	347	150	225.00	225.00	300.00	1,571.42	5,000
*Concord	L. L. Wyrick	G. G. Anderson, Altamahaw, N. C.		74	...	40.00	40.00	103.50	122.00	700
*Danville	P. T. Klapp	A. W. Haraway, Danville, Va., R. 2.	Frances Williams, Danville, R. 2.	124	225	100.00	100.00	600.00	438.41	7,000
*Durham	S. C. Harrell	A. T. Crutchfield, Durham, N. C.	J. L. Harward, Durham, N. C.	353	254	350.00	350.00	2,000.00	5,600.82	50,000
*Elon College	N. G. Newman	O.W. Johnson, Elon College, N. C.	Alberta Atkinson, Elon College	200	457	350.00	350.00	950.00	1,015.89	10,000
*Greensboro 1st Ch.)	C. H. Rowland	J. E. Murray, Greensboro, N. C.	Hazel McFarland, Greensboro	231	288	350.00	350.00	3,000.00	6,527.00	33,000
Greensb'ro (Palm St.)	H. B. Hall	A. H. Hinshaw, Gen. Del., Greens.	Robt. Fine, R. 5, Greensboro	103	144	90.00	12.70	800.00	522.18	7,000
Goshen Chapel						25.00				
Happy Home	L. L. Wyrick	Mrs. Geo. Hill, Ruffin, N. C.	Allen Evans, Ruffin, N. C., R. 2.	126	67	100.00	38.10	225.00	64.62	1,500
*Haw River	P. H. Fleming	Miss Rosa Best, Haw River, N. C.	Robert Russell, Haw River N. C.	130	149	120.00	120.00	250.00	463.28	3,500
Hebron	C. E. Newman	T. C. Moore, Nelson, Va.		117	...	130.00	65.00	200.00	20.00	2,500
Hines' Chapel	C. E. Gerringer	L. V. Smih, McLeansville, N. C.	R. W. Osley, McLeansville, N. C.	195	106	165.00	165.00	400.00	47.49	3,500
Hopedale	H. E. Crutchfield	R. H. Coble, Burlington, N. C.	J. B. Warren, Burlington, R. 5	28	124	25.00		78.80	503.20	3,500
Howard Chapel	J. W. Knight	W. B. Madison, Wentworth, N. C.		33	...	45.00	45.00	100.00	40.00	1,500
Ingram	J. E. McCauley	Miss Pattie Adams, Ingram, Va.	C. J. Ingram, Ingram, Va.	131	87	150.00	125.00	400.00	416.36	1,600
Kallam's Grove						25.00				
Lebanon	C. E. Newman	T. J. Earp, Milton, N. C.	Clyde McSherry, Semora, N. C.	134	74	200.00	117.00	300.00	208.00	2,000
Liberty	C. E. Newman	B. E. Bray, Nathalie, Va.	Charlie Tuck, Nathalie, Va.	100	96	60.00	45.00	200.00	243.00	1,200
Long's Chapel	J. F. Apple	J. W. Johnson, Burlington, N. C.	Mrs. W. A. Rogers, B'lington, R. 5.	152	35	75.00	38.88	200.00	50.00	1,000
*Monticello	C. E. Gerringer	Miss Russel McKinney, B. Summit.	Holt Gerringer, Brown Summit	53	61	45.00	45.00	152.00	326.49	4,000
*Mt. Bethel	W. T. Scott	Miss Ethel Frddle, Stokesdale	Miss Stella Simpson, Summerfield.	110	74	90.00	90.00	200.00	43.95	3,000
*Mt. Zion	J. F. Apple	G. F. Carden, Watson, N. C.	Zeb Lynch, Efland, N. C., R. 2.	96	46	50.00	50.00	200.00	251.45	1,500
New Hope (R)	No Report					25.00				
*New Lebanon	J. W. Knight	Mrs. W. G. Sharpe, Wentworth	W. M. Suits, Wentworth, N. C.	131	92	110.00	110.00	200.00	217.65	1,500
*Pleasant Grove(Va)	J. E. McCauley	Mrs. Elizabeth Sipe, News Ferry.	Jesse H. Jones, News Ferry, Va.	361	40	300.00	300.00	600.00	371.60	4,000
Pleasant Ridge (G)	T. J. Wright	W. J. Stafford, Summerfield, N. C.	Fred Durham, Kernersville, N. C.	56	70	70.00	34.35	200.00		800
*Reidsville	J. A. Ledbetter	C. W. Gerringer, Reidsville, N. C.	D. E. Mitchell, Reidsville,N C.	156	312	60.00	60.00	1,100.00	744.56	20,000
Salem Chapel	T. J. Wright	Selma Marshall, Walnut Cove,R. 2.		119	...	65.00	28.36	135.00	515.00	2,000
*Shallow Ford	T. J. Green	W. D. Walker, Burlington, R. 6.	R. B. Wheeley, Elon College	112	130	100.00	100.00	250.00	60.00	1,600
*Union (N. C.)	P. H. Fleming	G. R. Graham, Burlington, R.3.	Alma Turner, Burlington, R. 3.	266	86	225.00	225.00	500.00	682.41	5,000
*Union (Va.)	C. E. Newman	Alfred Hayes, Virgilina, Va.	Lucy Gregory, Virgilina, Va.	330	134	175.00	175.00	500.00	326.00	2,500
Totals				5111	3619	$ 4,435.00	$ 3,748.28	$14,794.30	$21,518.06	$ 198,600

*Denotes churches

Proceedings of the Ninety-Eighth Annual Session of the North Carolina Christian Conference

WAKE CHAPEL CHURCH.

NOVEMBER 20, 1923.

The North Carolina Christian Conference met in annual session November 20, 1923, with the Wake Chapel Christian Church, and was called to order by the President, Rev. W. C. Wicker, at 7:30 P. M.

Devotional services conducted by Rev. J. Presley Barrett.

The opening sermon of the Conference session was preached by Rev. H. Russel Clem; theme, "The Principles and Purpose of the Christians." Communion service administered by Revs. J. D. Wicker, W. W. Staley, D. A. Long and P. H. Fleming.

Benediction by Dr. J. O. Atkinson.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

The Conference was called to order by President W. C. Wicker.

Devotional services conducted by Rev. J. A. Ledbetter.

Enrollment showed the following ministers and lay delegates in attendance:

Ministers—Revs. J. O. Atkinson, J. S. Carden, W. G. Clements, G. C. Crutchfield, P. H. Fleming, J. E. Franks, Stanley C. Harrell, A. H. Hook, B. J. Howard, J. F. Johnson, J. Lee Johnson, D. A. Long, W. S. Long, S. M. Lynam, G. O. Langford, J. A. Ledbetter, N. G. Newman, J. D. Wicker and W. C. Wicker.

Lay Delegates.

Eastern North Carolina Conference—J. Milton Banks, E. W. Clements, J. B. Edwards, J. D. Gunter, K. B. Johnson, Scott Johnson, J. A. Kimball, A. M. Long, John Murray, A. J. Morgan, E. M. Newman, W. A. Newman, J. W. Neighbors, I. W. Pritchard, S. M. Rowland, W. R. Rodgers, C. H. Stephenson, J. E. Stout, L. L. Vaughan, W. C. Whittaker.

North Carolina and Virginia Conference—W. E. Cook, W. A. Harper, Mrs. W. A. Harper, Mrs. N. G. Newman, Miss Christine Thompson, W. S. Truitt.

Western North Carolina Conference—Mrs. W. H. Carroll.

The President introduced Rev. A. T. Y. Hanunian, who presented the conditions in the Near East, and appealed for continued support for Near East Relief.

On motion, Drs. W. W. Staley, J. P. Barrett and W. D. Parry were invited to seats as deliberative members.

Moved and carried that this Conference approve and ratify all actions taken by the three local Conferences in their recent sessions.

Welcome address—Mr. H. W. Johnson.

Response—Rev. Stanley C. Harrell.

On motion, report of Executive Committee was adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

We, your Executive Committee, beg to report that we have—

First—Granted a letter of transfer to Rev. E. H. Rainey to unite with the Miami, Ohio, Christian Conference.

Second—Received Rev. J. A. Ledbetter as an ordained elder, upon the recommendation of the Committee on Education.

Third—Approved a loan to the amount of $50,000 on the Raleigh Church property, to assist in financing the new Church building.

Fourth—Changed the date for the meeting of Conference from 10 A. M., November 13th, to 7:30 P. M., November 20th.

Respectfully submitted,

W. C. WICKER,
W. A. HARPER,
P. H. FLEMING,
Committee.

The President appointed the following committees:

Nominating—N. G. Newman, W. S. Long, G. O. Langford, E. W. Clements, and J. Milton Banks.

Apportionments—L. L. Vaughan, W. B. Truitt.

Resolutions—D. A. Long.

Place for Next Session—J. Fuller Johnson.

Press—S. M. Lynam.

Finance—J. D. Gunter, H. E. Crutchfield, John Murray.

Foreign Missions (Added)—J. O. Atkinson, J. A. Kimball.

The program, as prepared by the Program Committee, was amended, calling for a report from the three local Conferences. On motion, the program was adopted.

On motion, Miss Lucy M. Eldredge, Miss Pattie Coghill, and Mrs. L. L. Vaughan were invited to seats as deliberative members.

Mrs. Vaughan, President of the Woman's Board, presented the goals adopted for the year for the woman's work.

President's address, "The Mission of the Christian Church."

Prayer by Rev. W. G. Clements. Adjournment.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference called to order by the President.

Devotional services conducted by Rev. P. H. Fleming.

Dr. D. A. Long presented the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted by a rising vote:

Resolved, That the thanks of the North Carolina Christian Conference be extended to the members and friends of the Wake Chapel Christian Church

for the kind hospitality extended this Conference during the present session of the body.

The report of the Committee on Church Polity was adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CHURCH POLITY.

1. That the secretaries of the local Conferences send a certified list of the names and addresses of the delegates elected to represent them at the North Carolina Christian Conference to the Secretary of said Conference immediately after election; that they also notify the delegates of their election and of the time and place of meeting of the North Carolina Christian Conference.

2. That, if possible, the secretaries of the local Conferences be in attendance at the North Carolina Christian Conference, and that they have the proceedings of their Conferences on the floor of the North Carolina Christian Conference for ratification by said body.

3. That each of the Conferences be requested to appropriate, for the expenses of the North Carolina Christian Conference, at least 25 per cent of their Conference fund.

4. That the local Conferences furnish their minutes for publication in "The Christian Annual," and such statistics as are required to the Secretary of the General Convention.

5. That the North Carolina Christian Conference memorialize the Southern Christian Convention to consider, as a policy, the pooling of home mission funds raised by Conferences in the Mission Board of the Southern Christian Convention, to be used for home missions.

6. That the Southern Christian Convention be memorialized to provide for a Committee on Public Welfare and Relief, in place of the Committee on Moral Reform.

7. That the Southern Christian Convention be memorialized to provide a Board of Christian Education, having to do with Sunday Schools, Christian Endeavor Societies, colleges, and other educational agencies of the Church; and also a Board on the Christian Ministry, to have to do with all questions pertaining to the ministry.

8. That the Southern Christian Convention be memorialized to change its Apportionment Committee to "Budget Committee."

W. C. WICKER,
P. H. FLEMING,
W. A. HARPER,
STANLEY C. HARRELL, ..
Committee.

An open Conference, "Building a Church Program," led by Dr. W. A. Harper. Adjournment.

SECOND DAY—EVENING SESSION.

Conference called to order at 7:30 P. M.

Devotional services conducted by Rev. J. Lee Johnson.

On motion, the Secretary was delegated to write letters to Revs. P. T. Klapp, G. R. Underwood, J. W. Wellons, and R. L. Williamson, expressing the regret of the Conference that they could not be present, and sympathy for them in their afflictions.

Miss Pattie Coghill addressed the Conference on the subject, "Reaching Our Young People."

Address, "Women for the Kingdom," Mrs. W. H. Carroll.

Address, "Laymen and the Kingdom," Mr. J. W. Stout.

Address, "Our Church's Opportunity," Dr. J. O. Atkinson.

On motion, the four speakers of the evening were requested to furnish their addresses for publication in *The Christian Sun.*

Closing prayer by Rev. N. G. Newman.

THIRD DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Conference called to order by the President.

Devotional services conducted by Rev. S. M. Lynam.

Report of W. J. Ballentine, Treasurer North Carolina Christian Conference.

REPORT OF TREASURER.

1922.				
Nov. 1.	To balance on hand			$ 53.60
	To collections at Conference			7,496.23
Dec. 6.	By W. C. Wicker, Treas. Conv. Missions		$1,627.50	
	By W. C. Wicker, Treas. Elon College		1,627.50	
	By W. C. Wicker, Treas. Convention fund		367.50	
	By W. C. Wicker, Treas. Foreign Missions		1,627.50	
	By W. C. Wicker, Treas. superannuation		400.00	
	By W. P. Lawrence, Sec.-Treas. Home Missions.		945.00	
	By T. C. Amick, custodian ministerial education.		175.00	
	By C. H. Stephenson, Treas. Bd. of Rel. Educ.		400.00	
	By Burlington Print Co., Con. blanks & programs		16.00	
1923.				
Apr. 25.	By Christian Sun, Annual's, Conf. fund		225.00	
Nov. 1.	Balance on hand		183.83	
				7,549.83

Report referred to Finance Committee.

Finance Committee reported as follows:

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

We have audited the report of the Treasurer, and find his report and accounts are correct. We recommend payment of bill for $2.50 to Church Supply House for report blanks.

J. D. GUNTER,
H. E. CRUTCHFIELD,
JOHN MURRAY,
Committee.

On motion, the report was adopted.

On motion, the report of Committee on Foreign Missions was adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

We recommend:

1. That prayer be often made for our missionaries, and that it may please our Heavenly Father to send out for us other missionaries.

2. That we urge our pastors to put the missionary message foremost in their preaching, and our Sunday School teachers to put missionary facts first and uppermost in their teaching.

3. That we urge a large and liberal Christmas free-will offering for missions, one-half to go to home missions and one-half to foreign missions.

4. That we urge our people now to make as large payments as possible on their Men and Millions pledges, that our missionary work at home and abroad may be prosecuted with more zeal and efficiency.

J. O. ATKINSON,
J. A. KIMBALL,
MRS. W. H. CARROLL,
Committee.

Mrs. W. H. Carroll reported, as follows, for the Woman's Convention:

REPORT OF WOMAN'S CONVENTION.

Total receipts for 1922-23	$2,655.52
Total disbursements	2,655.52

Officers for 1923-24:

President—Mrs. L. L. Vaughan, Raleigh, N. C.
Vice-President—Mrs. J. P. Avent, Durham, N. C.
Secretary—Mrs. J. J. Henderson, Graham, N. C.
Treasurer—Mrs. W. R. Sellars, Burlington, N. C.
Superintendent Literature and Mite Boxes—Miss Pattie Coghill, Elon College.
Superintendent Young People's Work—Miss Mary D. Atkinson, Elon College.
Superintendent Cradle Roll—Mrs. N. G. Newman, Elon College, N. C.

On motion, the Conference ratified the election of officers by the Woman's Convention.

On motion, the report of the Committee on Christian Union was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CHRISTIAN UNION.

At our last session, we joined with the Eastern Virginia Conference in a memorial requesting the Executive Committee of the Southern Christian Convention to appoint a committee on closer co-operation with the Free Will Baptists. The commission was appointed, and held a meeting with a like commission of the Free Will Baptists, in Raleigh, in February of this year. Certain agreements were therein entered into and printed in *The Christian Sun*. The chairman of this committee attended the Free Will Baptist Convention, meeting in Greenville, in September, and was accorded the privilege of the floor.

At our last session, we appointed two delegates—Drs. W. A. Harper and J. O. Atkinson—to represent us at the approaching session of the World Conference on Faith and Order, to be held at Washington, D. C., in May, 1925. We trust these delegates will attend this gathering.

We learn, with approval and appreciation, of the intention of the General Convention of our Church shortly to issue a pronouncement on "Christian Union," and to inaugurate an intensive campaign for the education of our people in the need and method of Christian union.

We recommend:

1. That we seize every opportunity possible to present the cause of Christian union, and the platform of our Church as the working basis of it.

2. That, particularly, our ministers be urged to preach on this great theme.

3. That the Program Committee of the Conference be asked to provide place in the next year's program for the consideration of Christian union, and that the constituent conferences of this body be urged to do likewise in their annual session programs.

W. A. HARPER,
J. O. ATKINSON,
Committee.

On motion, the report of the Committee on Education was adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

Rev. J. A. Ledbetter, of the Methodist Protestant Conference of North Carolina, presented his credentials as an ordained minister, and after due examination we recommended him favorably to the Executive Committee.

Upon the reorganization of the three Conferences, in accordance with a resolution of the last session of the North Carolina Christian Conference, this committee referred all matters presented to it to the Committee on Education of the respective Conferences.

The following were ordained elders at the recent sessions of the various Conferences: J. Fuller Johnson, A. H. Hook, W. T. Scott, S. M. Lynam, J. M. Allred, and M. T. Sorrell.

W. W. Skellette, H. B. Hall, C. H. Rowland, and J. A. Ledbetter were received into Conference fellowship by transfer from other Conferences.

N. G. NEWMAN,
W. C. WICKER,
G. O. LANKFORD,
STANLEY C. HARRELL,
Committee.

Moved and carried that the request of the Eastern North Carolina Conference be permitted to reorganize their local Sunday School and Christian Endeavor Convention be granted, and that the Western North Carolina Conference and the North Carolina and Virginia Conference be requested to organize Sunday School and Christian Endeavor Conventions within their borders.

Moved and carried that a State Sunday School and Christian Endeavor Convention be held in July of the coming year, as previously planned.

Moved and carried that, inasmuch as the North Carolina and Virginia Conference appointed Drs. P. H. Fleming, W. A. Harper, and J. O. Atkinson to represent that Conference in an interdenominational conference on the teaching of the Bible in the State schools, to be held on the second Tuesday in January, 1924—the same persons be representatives of the North Carolina Christian Conference at the said meeting.

On motion, the report of the Committee on Sunday Schools and Christian Endeavor was adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

We recommend that this Conference continue its donation to the Board of Religious Education.

We recommend that, under the direction of the Board of Religious Education, Sunday School and Christian Endeavor institutes be held in as many communities in the bounds of the Conference as possible during the coming year; and that we encourage every school and society to set aside the second week in July as "Convention Week," and to see to it that a full delegation be present.

We urge upon every school and society the importance of reaching the "standard of efficiency" as set by the Sunday School and Christian Endeavor

Board of our Church, subscribing to and reading our Church papers, and, as far as practicable, using the literature published by our own denomination.

C. H. STEPHENSON, *Chairman.*

Moved and carried that the next session of this Conference begin on Monday evening following the fourth Sunday in November.

The Nominating Committee presented the following report:

REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE.

President—W. C. Wicker.
Vice-President—J. Lee Johnson.
Secretary—Stanley C. Harrell.
Assistant Secretary—A. H. Hook.
Treasurer—W. J. Ballentine.

On motion, these nominees were elected.

On motion, the Executive Committee was authorized to arrange for place to hold the next session of Conference.

Moved and carried that the minutes of this session be printed in "The Christian Annual," the same to be paid for from Conference fund.

On motion, the report of the Budget Committee was adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF BUDGET COMMITTEE.

We find by reference to the records that the Southern Christian Convention asks this North Carolina Conference for $7,425, which is 75 per cent of what we have been attempting to raise, and that this was distributed by the Convention to the local Conferences as follows:

Eastern North Carolina Conference	$2,400.00
Western North Carolina Conference	2,025.00
North Carolina and Virginia Conference	3,000.00
Total	$7,425.00

We suggest these amounts to the Conferences as the basis of their support of the Convention enterprises, the distribution to the local Churches being left to the separate Conferences.

We find that the percentages of distribution of funds by our Conferences has been as follows:

	Per Cent.	Per Cent
To the Southern Christian Convention	75	
Divided as follows:		
For foreign missions		31
For Convention missions		31
For schools and colleges		31
For Convention fund		7
To home missions	13½	
To ministerial education	2½	
To Conference fund	5	
To superannuation	4	
Total	100	

We recommend that these percentages of distribution be continued by the Conferences.

Your committee has been hearing occasionally that the apportionments have been too high. We doubt this, though we are forced to admit that some good

people honestly think so. Thet rouble is that our people do not tithe, and do not use biblical methods of paying to the support of the Lord's work. We, therefore, urge that our Churches work for an increase in tithers, and for the every-member canvass for the support of the kingdom. We also recommend that the mission secretary of the Southern Christian Convention be asked to aid our Churches in these endeavors.

K. B. JOHNSON,
W. A. HARPER,
L. L. VAUGHAN,
Committee.

Reports from the Local Conferences.

From the Western North Carolina Conference, by Rev. G. O. Lankford.

From the North Carolina and Virginia Conference, by Rev. P. H. Fleming.

From the Eastern North Carolina Conference, by Rev. W. C. Wicker.

The President appointed the following standing committees:

Executive—W. C. Wicker, W. A. Harper, P. H. Fleming.
Education—N. G. Newman, G. O. Langford, Stanley C. Harrell, W. C. Wicker.
Christian Union—W. A. Harper, J. O. Atkinson, E. L. Moffitt.
Foreign Missions—J. O. Atkinson, P. T. Klapp, R. L. Williamson, Mrs. W. H. Carroll.
Religious Literature—S. L. Beougher, J. Lee Johnson, B. J. Howard.
Budget—D. R. Fonville, L. L. Vaughan, K. B. Johnson.
Sunday Schools and Christian Endeavor—C. H. Stephenson, S. M. Lynam, Miss Pattie Coghill.
Social Service—J. Lee Johnson, W. S. Long, W. B. Truitt.
Superannuation—K. B. Johnson, E. L. Moffitt, L. M. Clymer.
Memoirs—P. H. Fleming, G. R. Underwood, J. D. Wicker.
Church Polity—W. C. Wicker, W. A. Harper, N. G. Newman, J. W. Stout, D. R. Fonville.
Program—Stanley C. Harrell, W. C. Wicker, A. H. Hook.

Dr. W. D. Parry spoke on "Significant Signs of Progress in Our Church."

"The Next Step," discussed by Rev. N. G. Newman.

"Let Us Go Forward" (a testimony of the avenues of advancement), conducted by Rev. G. O. Lankford.

Moved and carried that the Home Mission Committee be requested to report to the Executive Committee of Conference, and their report included in our minutes.

(Secretary was unable to secure said report.)

On motion, the Conference adjaurned. Benediction by President W. C. Wicker.

W. C. WICKER, *President.*
Elon College, N. C.

STANLEY C. HARRELL, *Secretary.*
Durham, N. C.

Minutes of the Christian Missionary Association of the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference.

CHRISTIAN TEMPLE, NORFOLK, VA.

DECEMBER 4, 1923.

The Association met Tuesday, December 4, 1923, with the Christian Temple, Norfolk, in its thirty-second annual session, and was called to order at 10:30 A. M. by the President, Rev. O. D. Poythress.

Devotional services conducted by Rev. H. S. Hardcastle.

Appointment of committees:

Nominations—I. W. Johnson, Mrs. M. J. W. White, Dr. J. W. Manning.

Collections—R. B. Odum, B. J. Earp.

Resolutions—J. H. Lightbourne, Mrs. I. W. Johnson.

Finance—E. T. Holland, W. D. Harward.

Roll call of Churches having Christian Missionary Association memberships and response in payment of pledges.

PAID MEMBERSHIP OF DECEMBER, 1923, MEETING.

ANTIOCH.

Baracca Class, Mrs. C. M. Clements, Zuni, Va. (in part), $5.

BEREA (NORFOLK COUNTY).

M. W. Hollowell, Route 3, Portsmouth, Va., $10; Church, M. W. Hollowell, clerk, $10.

BEREA (NANSEMOND COUNTY).

Church, Mrs. A. S. Hargrave, Drivers, Va., $10; Ladies' Aid Society, Mrs. R. B. Odum, $10; Bible Class, Miss Mary Brinkley, $10; Sunday School, Mrs. R. B. Odum, $10; Baracca Class No. 4, E. W. Jenkins, $10; W. J. Lee estate, $10; Mrs. W. J. Lee, $10; R. B. Odum, $10; Mrs. R. B. Odum, $5; Mrs. J. W. Brinkley, $5; Young People's Missionary Society, $10.

BETHLEHEM.

Mrs. W. H. Holland, Suffolk, Va., R. F. D. 3, $5; Young People's Missionary Society, Miss Anne Ashley, $10; Mrs. J. E. Harris, $5.

FRANKLIN.

L. R. Jones, $10; L. R. Jones, Jr., $5; Dr. C. H. Rowland, $10; Sunday School, $10; B. C. Norfleet, $10; Ladies' Aid Society, $10; Mrs. J. B. Gay, $5.

HOLY NECK.

Baracca Class, Mrs. F. O. Fobbs, Route 3, Franklin, Va., $10; Missionary Society, W. J. Gwinn, Whaleyville, Va., $10; Darden, Oberry Class, E. T. Holland, Holland, Va., $10; E. T. Holland, $10; First Bible Class, Mrs. E. T. Holland, $10; R. C. Norfleet, Route 2, $10; Mission Aid Society, Mrs. G. D. Estes, $10; Mrs. R. C. Norfleet, Route 2, Holland, Va., $5; Philathia Class, Miss Lillie Holland, $10; Church, R. C. Norfleet, clerk, $5; Mrs. C. A. Holland, R. F. D., $5; Mrs. E. T. Holland, R. F. D. 2, $5; Mrs. J. K. Jones, R. F. D. 2, $5; Mrs. S. R. B. Howell, R. F. D. 2, $5; H. L. World, R. F. D. 2, $5; Sunday School, C. A. Piland, secretary, $10; A. L. Jolly, Franklin, Va., $10;

Mrs. B. D. Jones, Franklin, Va., $5; Mrs. J. T. Rawles, Holland, Va., $10; Mrs. J. T. Jones, Holland, Va., $5; B. D. Jones, Holland, Va., $5; Mrs. A. L. Jolly, Franklin, Va., $5.

HOLLAND, VA.

Dr. J. G. Holland, $10; I. A. Luke, $10; Sunday School, I. A. Luke, superintendent, $10; Bible Class No. 1, Mrs. B. J. Beale, $10; W. J. Holland, $10; Brotherhood Bible Class, W. Holland, $10; Rev. Jas. H. Lightbourn, $10; Ladies' Aid Society, $10; Mrs. I. A. Luke, $5; Mrs. Nannie J. Holland, $5; Mrs. R. H. Riddle, $5; Mrs. W. J. Holland, $5; Mrs. Jas. H. Lightbourne, $5; Woman's Mission Society, Mrs. B. J. Beale, $10.

LIBERTY SPRINGS.

Church, I. T. Bird, treasurer, Holland, Va., $10; J. S. Peel, Suffolk, Va., $10; Joel E. Harrell, Suffolk, Va., $10; Philathia Class, R. E. Rogers, $10; Rev. I. W. Johnson, $10; Sunday School, I. T. Bird, superintendent, Holland, Va., $10; Mrs. J. E. Harrell, Suffolk, $5; Mrs. F. F. Brinkley, Route —, $5; I. T. Bird, Holland, Va., $10; Baracca Class, H. E. Savage, Suffolk, $10.

THE TEMPLE.

The Church, J. A. Ely, treasury, Norfolk, Va., 110 Thirtieth Street, $10; Missionary Treasury, 4001, Colonial Avenue, $10; Sunday School, 110 East Thirtieth Street, $10; Sunday School mission fund, Norfolk, Va., 242 East Thirty-ninth, $10; Temple Men's Bible Class, 405 West Twenty-ninth, $10; Ladies' Bible Class, 242 West Thirty-second, $10; Dorcas Bible Class, 248 East Forty-eighth, $10; Missionary Society, 4801 Newport Avenue, $10; Ladies' Aid Society, 240 East Thirty-ninth, $10; T. E. Brickhouse, $10; J. E. Harrell, 132 Chesterfield Boulevard, $10; J. W. Manning, 3801 Newport Avenue, $10; B. L. Nickals, 217 West Thirty-fifth, $10; A. M. Johnson, 4801 Colonial Avenue, $10; T. E. Baird, 1500 Brambleton, $10; L. E. Smith, 4312 Colonial Avenue, $10; Mrs. T. E. Brickhouse, 132 Chesterfield Boulevard, $5; Mrs. J. E. Harrell, 132 Chesterfield Boulevard, $5; Mrs. W. H. Martin, 537 Maryland Avenue, $5; Mrs. B. L. Nickals, 217 West Thirty-fifth, $5; Mrs. L. W. Stagg, 1728 Willoughby Avenue, $5; Mrs. H. P. Guy, 224 West Thirty-sixth, $5; Mrs. J. A. Eley, 110 East Thirtieth, $5; Mrs. E. M. Albright, 114 Chesterfield Boulevard, $5; Miss Emie Portlock, Berkley Station, R. F. D., $5; Mrs. L. E. Smith, 4312 Colonial Avenue, $5; Mrs. Hattie Savage, 416 Borevan Avenue, $5.

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH.

Missionary Society, Berkley, Va., $10.

SOUTH NORFOLK, VA.

Rev. O. D. Poythress, $10; Ladies' Aid Society, Mrs. W. A. Hogan, 17 Rogan Street, $10; Friendship Bible Class, O. D. Poythress, $10; Young People's Auxiliary, Miss Elizabeth Robertson, $10; Mrs. O. D. Poythress, $5; Sunday School, B. F. McGunley, R. F. D., Berkley, Va., $10.

SUFFOLK, VA.

Sunday School, $20; Ladies B. & S. Union, $20; Philathea Class, $20; Church, $10; W. H. and F. Missionary Society, $10; Twentieth Century Baraca Class, $10; Junior Philathea Class, $10; Semper Fidelis Class, $10; Girls' Missionary Society, $10; Aiming-High Class, $10; Christian Endeavor Society, $10; Ever-Ready Class, $10; J. E. West, $10; Geo. W. Truitt, $10; E. E. Holland, $10; John King, $10; C. A. Shoop, $10; O. S. Smith, $10; B. D. Crocker, $10; Dr. J. E. Rawls, $10; J. E. Vicent, $10; John L. Gay, $10; W. H. Holland, $10; W. S. Beamon, $10; Lewis G. Brothers, $10; Dr. J. M. Calhoun, $10; W. W. Staley, $10; Mrs. M. C. Riddick, $10; Mrs. W. R. Mitchell, $5; Mrs. J. King, $5; Mrs. B. D. Crocker, $5; Mrs. J. D. Luke, $5; Mrs. I. W. Johnson, $5; Mrs. Susie Holland, $5; Mrs. A. T. Holland, $5; Mrs. George W. Nurney, $5; Mrs. J. M. Darden, $5; Mrs. C. B. Duke, $5; Mrs. A. D. Brinkley, $5; Mrs. Bessie Creekmore, $5; Mrs. J. D. McClenny, $5; Mrs. J. T. Williams, $5; Miss Margaret West, $5; Miss Jamie Felton, $5.

NEWPORT NEWS, VA.

C. E. Society, Mrs. W. H. Baker, 1048 Twenty-fourth Street, $10; Ladies' Aid Society, Mrs. W. B. Baker, 1045 Twenty-third Street, $10; Woman's Missionary Society, Mrs. W. H. Baker, 1028 Twenty-fourth Street, $10; Sunday School, G. L. Munford, 2304 Orcutt Avenue, $10; Church, C. D. West, clerk, P. O. Box 95, $10; C. D. West, P. O. Box 95, $10; Men's Bible Class, J. J. Baker, 1035 Twenty-fourth Street, $10; Ladies' Bible Class, Mrs. Jernigan, 1041 Twenty-fifth Street, $10; Mrs. R. L. Smith, 1034 Twenty-fourth Street, $5; Mrs. W. B. Baker, 1043 Twenty-third Street, $5; Mrs. W. B. Baker and Miss Mary Robins, 1043 Twenty-third Street Classes, $10.

OAKLAND.

Sunday School, W. K. Wagner, R. F. D., Suffolk, Va., $10.

PORTSMOUTH, VA.

Church, J. S. Wright, clerk, 701 High Street, $10; Sunday School, J. S. Wright, superintendent, 701 High Street, $10; J. F. Brothers, 1421 W. Park View, $10; C. J. Heath, 916 Dinwiddie Street, $10; Rev. W. L. Wells, 1055 Leckie Street, $10; Mrs. C. F. Rudd, 418 County Street, $5.

ELM STREET.

Mrs. M. S. Coles, 723 County Street, Portsmouth, Va., $5; Missionary Society, Mrs. W. D. Harwood, 1508 Elm Street, $10; Rev. W. D. Harwood, 1508 Elm Street, $10.

ROSEMOUNT.

Mrs. B. Y. Hobson, Route 3, Berkley, Va., $5; Men's Bible Class, B. F. Black, $10; Church, $10; B. F. Black, $10.

WINDSOR.

Mrs. J. W. Roberts, $5.

Report of Committee on Field, Dr. I. W. Johnson, Chairman. The committee reported that no new field had been undertaken during the past year.

An inspirational address on "Missions," by Dr. J. O. Atkinson.

Adjournment for dinner.

FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Devotional services conducted by Rev. O. D. Poythress. Hymn No. 307 was used. Prayer by Rev. H. E. Rountree.

Moved, by Dr. W. W. Staley, that the Christian Missionary Association of the Eastern Virginia Conference request the Executive Board of the Southern Christian Convention to consider the taking of a special Christmas offering to help upon our mission loss in Japan, caused by the awful earthquake; and, if the Board so decides, that our Mission Secretary, Rev. J. O. Atkinson, be clothed with authority to plan for such an offering.

After discussion, the motion was adopted.

Reports of Special Committees.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON COLLECTIONS.

We, your Committee on Collections, have counted the turned-in, and find that $1,450 have been collected.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS.

President—J. H. Lightbourne.
Vice-President—Dr. J. W. Manning.
Secretary—W. L. Wells.
Mission Secretary—C. D. West.
Treasurer—B. D. Jones.

Respectfully,
I. W. JOHNSON,
MRS. M. J. W. WHITE,
J. W. MANNING,
Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

We, your Committee on Finance, beg leave to submit the following report: We have examined the report made by the Collectors, and find the same to be correct, the amount reported being $1,450. We have also examined the Treasurer's report, and find same to be correct.

Respectfully,
W. D. HARWARD.
R. C. NORFLEET, *Chairman.*

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

We, your Committee on Resolutions, beg to recommend that we give expression to our appreciation and thanks by rising vote—

First—To Dr. J. O. Atkinson and Lieutenant-Governor West for their presence and helpful addresses.

Second—To the men who have left their places of business and farms to be present today in the interest of missions.

Third—To whomever it is due, for the beautiful chrysanthemums that grace the building.

Fourth—To the Christian Temple, and especially to the ladies of the Temple, for the fine spirit in providing for our entertainment in so lavish a fashion in the face of the money obligations in both finances and services confronting them.

Respectfully,
MRS. I. W. JOHNSON,
J. H. LIGHTBOURNE,
Committee.

Report of Committee on Plans.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PLANS.

We recommend:

1. That $200 be paid on pastor's salary at East End Church, Newport News.

2. That $260 be paid on pastor's salary at Ocean View Church, provided the congregation will reduce the indebtedness on the property to $1,000 net; in which case an individual has agreed to take the loan of a thousand dollars ($1,000) under a mortgage of the same sum of $1,000; and the association agrees to pay the interest on the said $1,000 the first year. And we further recommend that Rev. O. D. Poythress and Dr. J. O. Atkinson execute this recommendation, provided the congregation at Ocean View will agree to this plan.

3. That $1,000 be paid to the Christian Temple on the Christian Missionary Association obligation of the association for $10,000, which, added to the $1,500 already paid, will make $2,500, or one-fourth of the $10,000. And it is agreed that the Christian Temple will pay from their mission fund, through the Mission Board of the Southern Christian Convention, $200 to the First Christian Church, Portsmouth, and $200 to Elm Avenue Christian Church, Portsmouth, on salaries of pastors of said Churches.

We regret that we have no funds in hand with which to help the Richmond Church, but assure them that their request has our sympathy and our prayers; and the same is true with regard to South Norfolk Church.

W. W. STALEY,
J. E. WEST,
R. B. ODUM,
Committee.

The report was adopted.

REPORT OF TREASURER.

1922.		
Dec. 5.	Balance in bank	$ 287.81
6.	Deposit	1,455.00
	Deposit, Windsor Sunday School	10.00
	Deposit, Oakland Sunday School	10.00
	Deposit, Mrs. Lillian Stagg	5.00
30.	Deposit, Men's Bible Class, S. S. and Church, Portsmouth	30.00
1923.		
Jan. 23.	Deposit, Newport News for Ocean View	25.00
	Deposit, Christian Temple for Ocean View	25.00
29.	Deposit, Men's Bible Class, Newport News	10.00
	Deposit, Young Men's and Ladies' Class, Newport News.	10.00
Feb. 7.	Deposit, Berkley Sunday School	10.00
July 18.	Deposit, cash from Convention	15.00
	Total	$1,882.81

DISBURSEMENTS.

1922.		
Dec. 6.	Cash in bank on interest	$ 300.00
30.	Paid to Floyd Herst	300.00
1923.		
Jan. 23.	Paid to C. D. West, Treasurer	50.00
Feb. 1.	Paid to Norman Harrell, for Ocean View Church	300.00
Mar. 1.	Paid to C. D. West, Treasurer	50.00
Apl. 21.	Paid to C. J. Heath, Treasurer	700.00
Jun. 13.	Paid to C. D. West, Treasurer	50.00
Sep. 11.	Paid to C. D. West, Treasurer	50.00
Nov. 28.	Balance in bank	82.00
	Total	$1,882.81

Amount in bank on interest to be applied on building fund on the South Norfolk Church, $1,966.

Respectfully submitted,
B. D. JONES, *Treasurer.*

Address by Col. J. E. West.

Dr. Staley read an interesting paper on the "Origin, History and Present Strength of the Christian Missionary Association."

By motion, the paper was ordered to be published in *The Christian Sun.*

ORIGIN, HISTORY AND PRESENT STRENGTH OF CHRISTIAN MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION.

1. ORIGIN.

The idea was firts suggested by Rev. J. P. Barrett, at the Southern Christian Convention, in Suffolk, Va., in May, 1890, under the name, "Missionary Convention." This idea developed into the "Christian Missionary Association" in the Southern Christian Convention at Elon College, N. C., in May, 1892; and

the Christian Missionary Association was organized with fourteen members and one hundred and forty dollars paid—ten dollars per member. E. E. Holland was elected president; W. T. Herndon, vice-president; P. A. Savage, secretary; and T. R. Gaskins, treasurer. A constitution was adopted, and Berea, Norfolk County, Va., was chosen as the place, and November 1-4, 1892, the time for the first regular annual meeting.

2. HISTORY.

At the first regular meeting, seventeen members were enrolled and $155 collected. The annual meetings continued for seventeen years with different Churches within the Conferences of the Southern Christian Convention, as the association embraced the whole of the Southern Christian Convention. It was composed of individuals and delegates from Conferences, Sunday Schools, and other societies. The annual dues were $10 for men and organizations, and $5 for women. The real purpose of the association was to cultivate the spirit of missions and render special help in the financial work of the Church. In other words, to give individuals and organizations an opportunity to give and control the expenditure of such gifts.

On account of long distances and the expense of attendance when sessions were held at different points within the Convention, after seventeen years, the plan was changed from one C. M. A. within the Convention to one C. M. A. within each Conference; and this plan has been in operation for fifteen years, making the total history a period of thirty-two years.

The following table shows the financial result of the seventeen years under the Southern Christian Convention and the fifteen years of the C. M. A. of the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference:

Under the S. C. C.		*Under the E. Va. C. C.*	
1892	$ 155.00	1909	$ 1,025.00
1893	400.00	1910	990.00
1894	820.00	1911	885.00
1895	299.00	1912	1,180.00
1896	417.00	1913	1,250.00
1897	830.00	1914	1,085.00
1898	840.00	1915	1,144.00
1899	851.00	1916	1,015.00
1900	869.00	1917	1,501.00
1901	865.00	1918	1,670.00
1902	800.00	1919	1,343.00
1903	1,263.00	1920	1,990.00
1904	1,767.00	1921	2,195.00
1905	1,155.00	1922	1,455.00
1906	1,150.00	1923	1,450.00
1907	1,070.00		
1908	1,311.00	Total	$19,904.00
Total	$14,862.00	Average	1,326.00
Average	874.00		

The association has aided Winchester and other Churches in the Valley of Virginia, paid missionaries in that section through a period of years, aided Graham, Ramseur, and Raleigh, in North Carolina; Columbus, Ga., Newport News, Old Zion, Isle of Wight Courthouse, South Norfolk, Portsmouth, and Norfolk in Virginia, and created a good missionary atmosphere. The association has spent some $35,000 through the seventeen years under the Convention, and the fifteen years in the Eastern Virginia Conference. The figures and scope of the work in the other Conferences is not in hand to give full detail of the entire work. The average has been more than a thousand dollars a year.

At the session of the Eastern Virginia Conference C. M. A., held in Portsmouth, Va., in 1919, J. E. West suggested, in a speech, that a plan should be

laid to give every member of the Churches within the Southern Convention an opportunity to make a special gift to missions; and this resulted finally in the organization of the Men and Millions Movement the next year (1920), to run five years and close in 1925. This to be the greatest financial movement in the history, and has put a new emphasis upon all the departments in the Church enterprises.

3. PRESENT STRENGTH OF THE EASTERN VIRGINIA CONFERENCE C. M. A.

A fixed constituency of about 200, an interest in missionary work, a thankful pride in the history and activity of the association, and a new loyalty to the Church created by thirty-two years of help in a financial way above the regular channels of giving. It has also discovered new capacity and willingness to give and serve, which is a sure sign of strength.

Presentation of bills for printing of 1,000 membership fee blanks, $3.75. The bill was ordered paid.

Appointment of standing committees:
Executive—J. H. Lightbourne, J. E. West, B. D. Jones.
Program—B. F. Black, H. S. Hardcastle.
Field—C. D. West, I. W. Johnson, J. A. Williams.
Plans—W. W. Staley, R. B. Odum, O. D. Poythress.
Finance—L. E. Smith, John King, I. A. Luke.
Literature—B. J. Earp, W. D. Harward, Mrs. M. J. W. White.

An invitation was extended the Association by the Rosemont Church to meet with them one year hence. The invitation was accepted.

The following names were enrolled as new members of the Association: Mrs. F. O. Forbiss, Franklin, Va. (Holy Neck Church); Ocean View Sunday School; Intermediate, Jr., Christian Endeavor Society, Newport News, Va.; Rev. B. J. Earp, 2301 Roanoke Avenue; C. J. Heath, 916 Dinwiddie Street, Portsmouth, Va.; Rev. H. E. Rountree, Navy-Yard, Portsmouth, Va.; Rev. H. S. Hardcastle, Suffolk, Va.

Adjournment. Benediction by Rev. J. H. Lightbourne.

J. H. LIGHTBOURNE, *President.*
C. D. WEST, *Mission Secretary.*
W. L. WELLS, *Recording Secretary.*

Proceedings of the Eleventh Annual Session of the Eastern Virginia Woman's Missionary Conference.

WAKEFIELD, VA.

OCTOBER 5, 1923.

The Eastern Virginia Woman's Missionary Conference met in its eleventh regular session, at Wakefield, Va., October 5, 1923, and was called to order at 10:15 A. M. by the President, Mrs. C. H. Rowland.

Devotional service conducted by Mrs. E. C. Beale, of Franklin, Va.

The President appointed committees as follows:

Apportionments—Mrs. M. L. Bryant, Mrs. H. E. Rountree, Mrs. J. W. Manning.

Enrollment—Mrs. W. T. Walters, Mrs. L. B. Norfleet, Mrs. B. W. Council.

Resolutions—Miss Jennie Willis Atkinson, Mrs. W. B. Raby.

Place of Meeting—Mrs. J. E. West, Mrs. Jolly, Mrs. W. E. Garrison.

Subscriptions to Christian Missionary—Mrs. J. E. Cartwright.

Nominations—Mrs. I. W. Johnson, Mrs. B. E. Livesay, Mrs. J. G. Holland.

Annual address by the President, "Achievements and Opportunities."

Societies reported throught the District Superintendents as follows: Mrs. J. A. Williams, Franklin District; Miss Jennie Willis Atkinson, Nansemond and Gates District; Mrs. B. E. Livesay and Mrs. L. B. Faison, Waverly-Wakefield District; Mrs. J. E. Cartwright, Norfolk District. These reports represented sixty-nine organizations. Franklin District met all the requirements. Reports adopted.

Report on Literaturs by Mrs. J. E. Cartwright, made and adopted.

Mrs. L. E. Smith gave a review of the "Foreign Mission Study Books" for the year. Miss Jennie Willis Atkinson spoke on the "Home Study Books" to be used.

Mrs. W. V. Leathers reported on the young people's work, through a chart, showing the apportionment of each organization and the amount paid. This report was given special recognition and adopted.

Mrs. W. H. Baker's report on cradle roll was adopted.

REPORT OF TREASURER.

WOMEN'S SOCIETIES.

Antioch	$ 80.80
Berea, Nansemond	168.95
Bethlehem	51.00
Christian Temple	189.65
Cypress Chapel	82.15

Centerville	10.00	
Damascus	85.37	
Dendron	106.45	
Dover	143.60	
Elm Avenue, Portsmouth	51.00	
Eures	14.00	
First, Norfolk	70.00	
Franklin	141.60	
Holland	133.47	
Holy Neck	147.70	
Isle of Wight	10.00	
Ivor	45.90	
Liberty Springs	132.93	
Mt. Carmel	82.20	
Newport News	61.31	
Oakland	107.35	
Portsmouth	89.65	
Rosemont	175.96	
Richmond	19.86	
Suffolk	968.90	
Waverly	114.40	
Wakefield	87.85	
Windsor	70.85	
		$3,442.90

YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETIES.

Berea, Nansemond	$ 100.00	
Burton's Grove	16.00	
Bethlehem	75.00	
Christian Temple	74.85	
Cypress Chapel	35.00	
Dendron	65.00	
Dover	25.00	
First, Norfolk	100.00	
Franklin	50.00	
Holland	120.00	
Liberty Spring	100.00	
New Lebanon	15.55	
Portsmouth	49.10	
Richmond	41.25	
Suffolk	416.63	
Spring Hill	10.00	
Union, Surry	16.74	
Waverly	100.00	
		1,410.12

WILLING WORKERS' SOCIETIES.

Berea, Nansemond	$ 50.00	
Christian Temple	19.45	
Damascus	12.50	
Franklin	50.00	
Holland	70.00	
Holy Neck	54.57	
Mt. Carmel	16.62	
Rosemont	42.30	
Spring Hill	2.50	
Suffolk	50.00	
Waverly	56.56	
Windsor	27.00	
		451.50

CRADLE ROLL SOCIETIES.

Antioch	$ 2.50	
Berea	3.69	

Barretts	1.75	
Bethlehem	1.55	
Christian Temple	18.25	
Cypress Chapel	3.00	
Holy Neck	8.00	
Holland	6.25	
Liberty Spring	6.00	
Newport News	10.15	
Oak Grove	7.30	
Waverly	3.00	
Franklin	10.00	
		81.44

RALLY DAY COLLECTIONS.

Norfolk District	$ 12,36	
Waverly District	3.18	
Nansemond District	18.36	
Franklin District	7.15	
		41.05
Collection at Stokefield		35.71
Total		$5,462.72

AMOUNT PAID OUT.

Women's Societies.

Dues	$ 881.70	
Special fund	2,400.00	
Ellen Gustin fund	4.00	
Sunday School in Japan	50.00	
Japan relief	10.00	
Dr. Atkinson's pledge fund	20.00	
Life membership	20.00	
Literature	12.65	
Support of orphan at Elon	30.00	
Contingent fund	14.55	
		$3,442.90

Young People's Societies.

Support of Eugenia Hilliard	$ 50.00	
Support of orphan at orphanage	150.00	
Dr. Atkinson's mission fund	10.00	
Special fund	1,200.12	
		1,410.12

Willing Workers.

Special fund	451.50

Cradle Roll.

Baby home and Sendai Orphanage	81.44

Rally and Wakefield Collections.

Expenses of Rev. E. B. Flory	$ 5.73	
Expenses of Miss Morey	20.00	
Furnishing mountain parsonage	51.03	
		76.76
Total		$5,462.72

MRS. M. L. BRYANT, *Treasurer.*

In connection with the report, the Treasurer gave a brief history of this organization, showing increase of interest and funds each year. Adopted.

Address, "Marks of a World Christian," by Rev. H. S. Hardcastle, Suffolk, Va.

Solo, Mrs. Vernon Holland, Holland, Va.

Miss Pattie Coghill, Field Secretary of Women's and Young People's work, was introduced, and spoke on "Interest in Mission Work."

Dr. J. O. Atkinson spoke on "Our Mountain Work," and told of the plan to build and furnish a parsonage there. The offering of the morning. amounting to $36.64, was voted paid to Dr. Atkinson for this fund. A representative from Bethlehem Church stated they would donate a lamp for the new Church in Carroll County. Miss Stella Edwards, one of Miss Morey's pupils in the mountains, was present, and spoke, at this time, of what our work there had meant to her personally.

Adjourned for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Afternoon session called to order by the President at 2 o'clock. Devotional service conducted by Mrs. J. E. West, of Suffolk.

Committees reported as follows, and reports adopted:

Apportionments—Committee was authorized to continue report at November Board meeting.

Enrollment—Delegates, 110; visitors, 37—total, 147.

Resolutions—

REPORT OF RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE.

We, the members of your committee, beg to submit the following resolutions:

First—We desire to commend the officers of the Conference for their faithful and efficient service they have rendered, and especially commend the manner in which such a large sum of money has been handled during the year with such small overhead expense.

Second—We express our appreciation to those of this Church and community who have shown us such warm hospitality.

Third—That in some way this Conference, in session, express its love and gratitude for the faithful service and co-operation in mission as well as all other lines of Christian work.

Fourth—That the secretaries of the societies be more prompt in rendering all reports.

Place of Meeting—Holy Neck.

Nominations—

President—Mrs. C. H. Rowland.
Vice-President—Mrs. M. J. W. White.
Treasurer—Mrs. M. L. Bryant.
Secretary—Mrs. L. W. Stagg.
Superintendent of Young People—Mrs. W. V. Leathers.
Superintendent of Literature—Mrs. J. E. Cartwright.
Superintendent of Cradle Roll—Mrs. W. H. Baker.

The President appointed Mrs. W. V. Leathers and Mrs. M. L. Bryant to send appropriate greeting from this Conference to Dr. W. W. Staley, now sick in hospital at Winston-Salem, N. C.

Address, "Enlarging Our Borders," by Dr. J. O. Atkinson.

Mrs. W. T. Waters gave a dramatic reading, entitled "The Sins of Ahab."

The Board submitted the following report, which was adopted:

We recommend that all women's societies of over fifty members contribute $2, and those over twenty-five contribute $1 for the sending of a representative to a summer school of missions.

Second—That our foreign special for the year be $1,200, and that we continue with the same amount for the Richmond work as our home special.

Third—That the young people have $2,000 as their goal. This to be divided equally between the mountain and Porto Rican work.

Fourth—That the Willing Workers support an orphan at Elon. The remainder of their funds to be divided between the mountain and Porto Rican work.

Fifth—That the goal of the cradle roll be $150.

Sixth That the goal for all departments be $5,500.

MRS. ROWLAND, *President.*

Minutes of the session were read and approved.

Voted to adjourn. Closing prayer by Dr. J. O. Atkinson.

MRS. C. H. ROWLAND, *President.*

MRS. L. W. STAGG, *Secretary.*

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BURLINGTON, N. C.

October 11-12, 1923.

FIRST DAY—EVENING SESSION.

The first session of the Convention was presided over by Dr. G. O. Lankford, pastor of the Burlington Church. A short musical program was followed by Scripture reading and prayer.

Welcome addresses by Mrs. D. E. Sellars, President of the local Society, and Dr. Lankford, were responded to by Mrs. L. L. Vaughan, of Raleigh. After the singing of a beautiful anthem by the choir, Rev. Stanley C. Harrell delivered a most inspiring address on "Missions." This was followed by announcements and benediction.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Devotional exercises, followed by the following enrollment of delegates:

Women's Societies.

Burlington—Mesdames J. R. Foster, John Brooks, Cicero Holt, T. F. Petty, Horn, Cates, Malone, Turrentine, Teague, Miles, Carroll, Sellars.

Durham—Rev. S. C. Harrell, pastor.

Elon College—Mesdames Newman, Apple, Jeffries, Harper, Clendenin, Amick, Rothgeb, Kennett, Johnston, Lowe, Lawrence, Hornaday, Brannock, Caddell, Dickey, Barrett, Peel, Perkins, Kimery.

Graham—Mesdames Beougher, Henderson, Stratford, J. D. Kernodle.

New Providence—Mrs. Welch.

Greensboro—Mesdames M. F. Cook, H. R. Clem, L. M. Clymer, Robert Harden.

Haw River—Misses Emma Thomas, Julie Smith.

Hines Chapel—Mrs. Carl Gerringer.

Raleigh—Mesdames L. L. Vaughan, C. H. Stephenson, and Miss Susie Allen.

Sanford—Miss May Gunter.

Shallow Well—Mrs. McFarland.

Reidsville—Mesdames Field, Gerringer, Allen, Mitchell, Brown, Payne, Rasco, Stanley Wilkens, Rev. Ledbetter.

Young People's Societies.

Raleigh—Miss Fleda Summers.
Elon College—Whole Society.
Burlington—Miss Maude Gunter.

Willing Workers.

Elon College—Frances Deviney.

Cradle Roll Societies.

Elon College—Catherine Dickey, Pauline Kennett.
Greensboro—Robert Harden.

Junior Societies.

Elon College—Superintendent Miss Josephine Farmer.
Apple's Chapel—Miss Mary Thomas.

A motion was made, and seconded, that all ministers present be enrolled as members of the Convention. Carried.

The reports of the officers were then made and ordered filed, as follows:

Secretary, Mrs. J. W. Patton.
Treasurer, Mrs. W. R. Sellars.
Superintendent Young People's Work, Mrs. H. R. Clem.
Superintendent Literature, Mrs. J. J. Henderson.
Superintendent Cradle Roll, Mrs. N. G. Newman.

The President did not make a formal written report, but spoke briefly on the work in the field as to conditions and needs. She recommended that the mountain work be continued, and that we build a home adequate for the immediate needs of the workers.

Reports from the Societies followed next.

Address by Dr. J. O. Atkinson, Field Secretary of Missions for Southern Christian Convention.

The Secretary, Mrs. J. W. Patton, asked to be excused at this point, and Mrs. W. A. Harper was appointed to take the minutes for the remainder of the day.

The President then appointed the following committees:

Press—Miss Pattie Coghill.
Nominating—Mrs. M. F. Cooke, Miss Susie Allen, Mrs. J. D. Kernodle, Mrs. J. P. Barrett.
Apportionment—Mrs. W. R. Sellars, Mrs. C. H. Stephenson, Mrs. McFarland, Mrs. N. G. Newman.
Resolutions—Misses May Gunter, Pattie Coghill, Fleda Summers.
Time and Place—Mrs. L. L. Vaughan, Mrs. H. R. Clem, Mrs. Fields, Mrs. Beougher, Mrs. Harden.
Banner—Mrs. R. M. Rothgeb, Mary D. Atkinson, Mrs. Wilkens.

Adjournment for lunch.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

The afternoon session opened with an organ and violin solo—Misses Malone. After a song, devotional services were conducted by Miss May Gunter, followed with prayer by Dr. N. G. Newman.

A paper was then read on "Christian Stewardship," by Mrs. W. A. Harper.

Miss Chiyo Ito, a Japanese student at Elon College, was then introduced to the Conference.

Address, "The Work of Our Young People," Miss Pattie Coghill.

The Nominating Committee reported the following names for officers for the coming year:

President—Mrs. L. L. Vaughan, State College, Raleigh, N. C.
Vice-President—Mrs. J. P. Avent, Durham, N. C.
Secretary—Mrs. J. J. Henderson, Graham, N. C.
Treasurer—Mrs. W. R. Sellars, Burlington, N. C.
Superintendent Young People—Miss Mary D. Atkinson, Elon College.
Superintendent Literature—Miss Pattie Coghill, Elon College.
Superintendent Cradle Roll—Mrs. N. G. Newman, Elon College.

The report was adopted.

The report of the Apportionment Committee was adopted, which was that the apportionment remain the same and that the Societies try to reach the goal this year.

The report of the Resolutions Committee was adopted by rising vote.

An offering of $29.12 was received for the mountain work.

Time and Place Committee reported that the Reidsville Society had invited the Conference for next year, the time to be decided by the Executive Committee. The report was adopted.

The Banner Committee reported the banners awarded to the following Societies: Burlington Woman's Society, Burlington Young People's Society, Wake Chapel Willing Workers, Elon College Cradle Roll.

Moved and carried that the North Carolina women furnish two rooms of the pastor's home at Fancy Gap, the details to be worked out by the Board. It was moved and carried that hereafter the Hardcastle fund be known as the "China Fund."

Song, "Blest Be the Tie," was sung. Adjournment.

Dismissed with prayer by Dr. Parry, of Raleigh Church.

MRS. W. H. CARROLL, *President.*
MRS. J. W. PATTON, *Secretary.*
MRS. W. A. HARPER, *Secretary Pro Tem.*

Ministerial Directory.

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Andes, A. W. ..... Harrisonburg, Va.
Apple, J. F. ..... Mebane, N. C.
Atkinson, J.O. ..... Elon College, N. C.
Barrett, D P. ..... Ponce, Porto Rico
Barrett, J. P. ..... Elon College, N. C.
Beougher, S. L. ..... Graham, N. C.
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Bradshaw, Elisha ..... Walters, Va.
Brown, R. F. ..... Pleasant Hill, Ohio.
Butler, H. H. ..... Suffolk, Va
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Carpenter, W. C. ..... Cullman, Ala.
Carter, C. W. ..... Wadley, Ala.
Carter, E. M. ..... Wadley, Ala.
Carter, W. E. ..... Phœnix, Ala.
Clem, H. Russell ..... 500 Pine St., Fall River, Mass.
Clem, W. M. ..... Yale Station, Hartford, Conn.
Clements, W. G. ..... Morrisville, N. C.
Crumpler, R. P. ..... Edom, Va.
Crutchfield, G. C. ..... Elon College, N. C.
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Coulter, Roy D. ..... Shawmut, Ala.
Dawson, T. B. ..... Ivanhoe, Va.
Denham, J. A. ..... Lanett, Ala.
Denison, W. H. ..... Dayton, Ohio.
Dixon, F. C. ..... Anderson, S. C.
Dollar, C. M. ..... R. 2, Malone, Ala.
Dollar, J. D. ..... R. 4, Roanoke, Ala
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Elder, J. W. ..... Pisgah, Ala.
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Green, T. J. ..... Ramseur, N. C.
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Isley, A. F. ..... Burlington, N. C.
Johnson, I. W. ..... Suffolk, Va
Johnson, J. Fuller ..... Fuquay Springs, N. C.
Johnson, J. Lee ..... Fuquay Springs, N. C.
Kendall, A. B. ..... Springfield, Ohio.
Klapp, P. T. ..... Elon College, N. C.
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Knowles, W. B. ..... R. 2, Roanoke, Ala.
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Lassiter, L. L. ..... Suffolk, Va.
Ledbetter, J. A. ..... Reidsville, N. C.
Lester, F. C. ..... Rhinebeck, N. Y.
Lightbourne, J. H. ..... Holland, Va.
Long, D. A. ..... Franklinton, N. C.
Long, W. S. ..... Chapel Hill, N. C.
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McAhee, A. N. ..... Crumps Park, Ga.
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McDaniel, C. A. ..... La Grange, Ga.
Meacham, W. T. ..... R. 2, Arab, Ala.
Moore, W. C. ..... Dover, Del.
Morgan, J. F. ..... Winchester, Va
Newman, C. E. ..... Virgilina, Va
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Taylor, John .....Cragford, Ala.
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Wyrick, L. L. .....Elon College, N. C.

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Mann, Alton B. .....Lanett, Ala.
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